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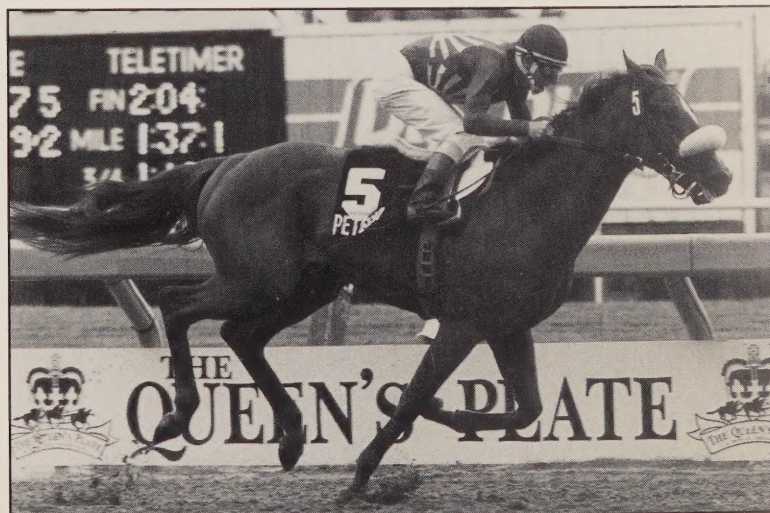
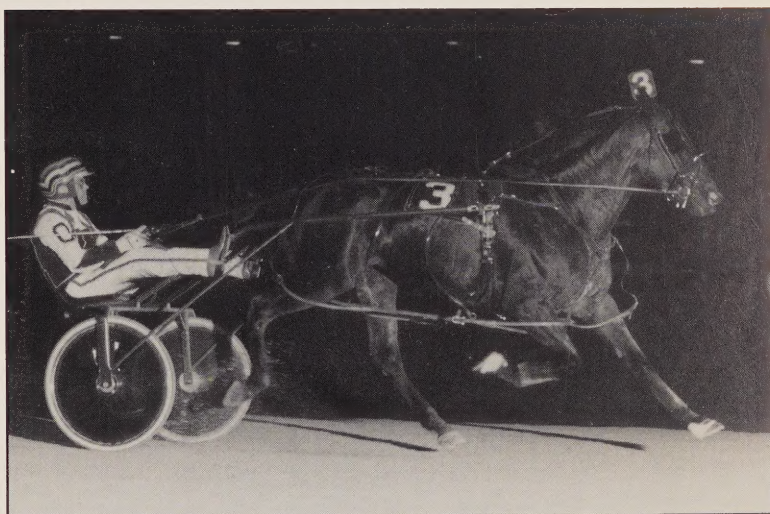
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Ontario Racing Commission



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Staying Together

Standardbred Horse of the Year in Canada and the United States

(Photo: Brian Smiley)

Peteski

Thoroughbred Horse of the Year in Canada

(Photo: Michael Burns)

Chair's Letter to the Minister



**Ontario
Racing
Commission**

The Honourable Marilyn Churley
Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations,
Parliament Buildings,
Queen's Park,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Madam Minister:

We are pleased to submit this forty-fourth Annual Statistical Report of the Ontario Racing Commission, covering the operations of the Commission during 1993.

The continental recession and changing economic times have brought many challenges and the need for change to Ontario racing.

New competition from the dramatic growth of competing gambling/entertainment outlets demand a new, revitalized structure for racing. Ontario racing has responded.

It has embarked on a business thrust to expand its markets, broaden its patron base and develop new export markets for the Simulcast of its races. By the end of 1994, Ontario, despite a decade late start, will be in the forefront of Off Track Betting through some 100 teletheatres spanning the population centres of the province.

This is not an attempt to recapture lost patrons. It is a trust for new patrons, particularly the under 40 years of age segment. Because of neglect by racing, other sports and entertainment have captured a dominant share of that market.

Gone are the days of waiting for patrons to come. Instead, the race product is being taken to them. New technology is being used, not perceived as a threat.

Key, of course, is the race product. Ontario Standardbred and Thoroughbred racing is outstanding, quite capable of not only growing here but of expanding electronically to the United States and elsewhere.

The future is bright, provided track management responds. Horsepeople have demonstrated throughout the recession they can respond. Now it is up to management.

Yours faithfully,

Frank Drea
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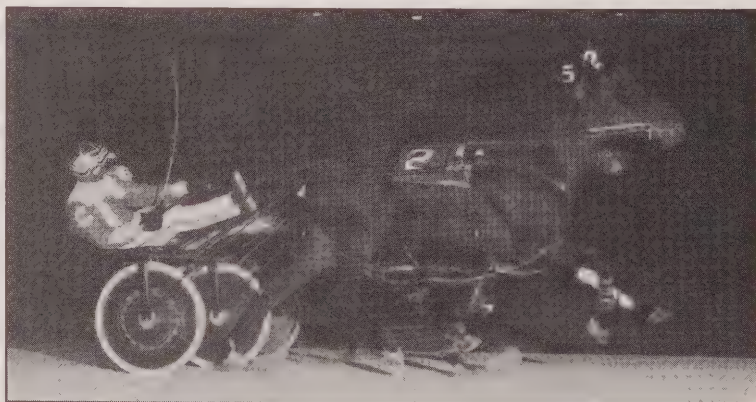
Highlights Of 1993

- ❑ Extensive renovations to Woodbine Racetrack were completed including a new harness track and a new mile and a half turf course, making Woodbine one of the premier tracks in North America. The track will conduct the 1994 racing season with both Thoroughbred and Standardbred racing, racing double cards three days a week during the summer months.
- ❑ As part of the reorganization of the Ontario Jockey Club, Greenwood Racetrack closed for racing after 119 years of operation. On Jan. 1, 1994 it starts a new era as a teletheatre - the largest in North America, betting \$250-300,000 per card, totalling \$600,000 per race day.
- ❑ In 1993 the development of Teletheatres went into high gear with 30 new sites opening. Over \$17 million was wagered at teletheatre sites, most from teletheatres that opened late in the year. It is estimated that 100 teletheatres will be up and running in 1994.
- ❑ Enormous gains in wagering were generated by races being telecast from one racetrack to another. A total of 2,914 Simulcast dates were approved in 1993, a 150 percent increase over 1992. Total wagering through simulcasting of races was \$388 million.
- ❑ Ontario is the first racing jurisdiction to make it mandatory that Jockeys wear approved safety vests designed to protect them from serious injury to the spine, back, ribs and internal organs. The weight of the protective vests is not included in the Jockey's race weight. Manufactured in Orangeville, Ont., these vests have the support of the entire industry.
- ❑ The racing industry was saddened this year by the passing of a number of prominent racing

personalities. Bruce Johnston, industry champion and watchdog, was President of The Canadian Sportsman. Harry Eisen was a veteran racing writer in southwestern Ontario. Aubrey Minshall was a prominent Thoroughbred owner and breeder, whose horse, Dance For Donna, won the 1993 Sovereign Award for Older Mares.

- ❑ Ontario Racing Commission Chair, Frank Drea, was named Man of the Year by the Horsemen's Benevolent & Protective Association which represents Thoroughbred horsemen across North America.
- ❑ 1993 was the twentieth anniversary of the Ontario Sires Stakes. The program funded by the provincial government through a rebate of the tax on pari-mutuel wagering and by payments made by horsepeople, breeding establishments and racetracks. This program has helped to establish the Ontario-bred horse as one of the best in North America, with wins in major races in Canada, the United States and overseas. In 1993 the top five winners in six of eight categories earned collectively more than any other jurisdiction, emphasising once again the value of an Ontario Sires Stakes horse to buyers from around the world.

- ❑ Thoroughbred Horse of the Year was *Peteski*, Queen's Plate winner which went on to win the Triple Crown. In the Molson Million held at Woodbine *Peteski* beat the season's leaders from the United States, demonstrating the world class calibre of the Canadian-bred horse.
- ❑ Long time Ontario trainer and driver Ron Waples, one of the sport's best catch drivers, was named to Harness Hall of Fame in Goshen, New York.
- ❑ 1993 Horse of the Year in Canada and the United States was Ontario-owned, *Staying Together*. This dynamic 4 year-old colt paced the fastest race mile in history in 1:48.2.
- ❑ Three of four Breeders Crown races held at Mohawk Raceway were won by Ontario owned horses: former Ontario Sires Stakes winner, *Earl*, won the older trotting horse division in 1:56 after starting from the second tier, Ontario-bred *Lifetime Dream*, won the older trotting mare division in 1:55.4, a track record and one fifth of a second off the World Record, and *Staying Together* won the aged pacing colt division.



The last race held at Greenwood Raceway on December 31, 1993 was won by Kirk Henley in 1:58.1, driven by Steve Condren
Photo Credit: Brian Smiley

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Racing Commission Act

Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990, Chapter R.2

The Ontario Racing Commission was established under the Racing Commission Act by the Ontario Provincial Government in 1950 to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in the province.

1. In this Act,

- (a) Commission means the Ontario Racing Commission;
- (b) Minister means the member of the Executive Council to whom the administration of this Act is assigned by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. ("ministre") R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 1.

2. The body corporate known as the Ontario Racing Commission, established under *The Racing Commission Act*, 1950, being chapter 67, is continued under the name Ontario Racing Commission in English and the name Commission des courses de l'Ontario in French, and shall be composed of not fewer than three and not more than seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 2, *revised*.

3. The objects of the Commission are to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 3.

4. The members of the Commission shall hold office for a term of not more than three years, but any person is eligible for reappointment. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 4.

5. (1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall name one of the members to be the chair and one of the members to be the vice-chair.

(2) When the office of chair is vacant or in the absence of the chair, the vice-chair shall act in his place and stead. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 5.

6. (1) At any meeting of the Commission a majority of the members constitutes a quorum, and a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of the Commission determines any question.

(2) The chair has a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 6.

7. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may fill any vacancy that occurs in the membership of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 7.

8. The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall fix the salaries of the chair, the vice-chair and the other members of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 8.

9. The salaries and expenses of the members of the Commission and of the officers, clerks and other employees thereof, and generally all costs, charges and expenses incurred and payable in respect of the carrying out of this Act, shall be paid out of the monies appropriated therefor by the Legislature. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 10.

10. The Commission has power,

- (a) to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms;
- (b) to govern, control and regulate the operation of race tracks in Ontario at which any form of horse racing is carried on;
- (c) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers, and to require by a summons signed by the chair or by any other member of the Commission any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as the Commission considers requisite in any such hearing;
- (d) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act, by a fine or other penalty or otherwise;
- (e) to make by-laws for the conduct of its business and for the control and direction of its work;
- (f) to license persons to operate race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;
- (g) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespersons and

such other persons in or about racetracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on, and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;

- (h) to fix and collect fees or other charges for licences, prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which they may be issued;
- (i) to refuse to grant any licence or to suspend or revoke any licence for conduct that the Commission considers to be contrary to the public interest;
- (j) to require registration with the Commission of, and to register colours, assumed names, partnerships and contracts and such other matters and things as the Commission considers expedient;
- (k) to fix and collect fees or other charges for registration under clause (j) and to prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which registration may be made;
- (l) to make and promulgate rules for the conduct of horse racing in any of its forms;
- (m) to employ stewards, veterinarians, analysts, secretarial assistants, judges and such other persons as the Commission considers expedient to attend at race meetings on behalf of the Commission;
- (n) to require approval by the Commission of the appointment of race track officials and employees whose duties relate to the actual running of horse races and to compel the discharge for cause of any such official or employee;
- (o) to fix, impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act;
- (p) to require persons licensed to operate race tracks to keep books of account in a manner satisfactory to the Commission, and to inspect such books at any time;
- (q) to do such things relating to horse racing in any or all of its forms, or to the operation of race tracks at which

horse racing is carried on, as are authorized or directed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 11; 1981, c. 33, s. 2.

11. The accounts of the Commission shall be audited by the Provincial Auditor or by such other auditor as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 12.

12. The Commission shall make a report annually to the Minister, containing such information as the Minister may require. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 13.

13. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations with respect to any and all matters or things that are considered necessary for the carrying out of this Act. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 14.

14. (1) Rules for the conduct of horse racing may be promulgated by the Commission under this Act and the Commission may therein delegate to stewards, judges, veterinarians, race track officials, racing association officials, licensing agents or officers of the Commission such of the following powers as the Commission considers expedient,

- (a) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers;
- (b) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act;
- (c) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespeople and such other persons in or about race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on;
- (d) to collect fees or other charges for licenses;
- (e) to impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act.

(2) The Commission may adopt by reference, in whole or in part, with such changes as the Commission

considers necessary, rules and procedures of racing associations or bodies and may delegate to racing associations or bodies the power to,

- (a) enforce the carrying out and observance of the rules and procedures as adopted or amended
- (b) hold hearings in respect of the contravention of any of the said rules or procedures; and
- (c) impose and collect fines, costs and other penalties for the contravention of any of the rules or procedures, and where a power has been so delegated to a racing association or body, it shall have the right to exercise discretion or judgment in relation to the powers delegated.

(3) Every person, association or body to whom a power to hold hearings has been delegated under subsection (1) or (2), may by summons require any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as may be required for purposes of a hearing.

(4) Subject to subsection (6), any person who is aggrieved by a decision of a person delegated by the Commission under a rule made under subsection (1) or by a decision resulting from a hearing held pursuant to a delegation under subsection (2), is entitled to a hearing by the Commission and, in the case of a hearing, the Commission may exercise its powers and duties under section 10 as if such powers and duties had not been delegated.

(5) Where the Commission, after holding a hearing, is of the opinion that the request for the hearing was frivolously made, the Commission may order the person requesting the hearing to pay to the Commission a penalty of no more than \$300 in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed.

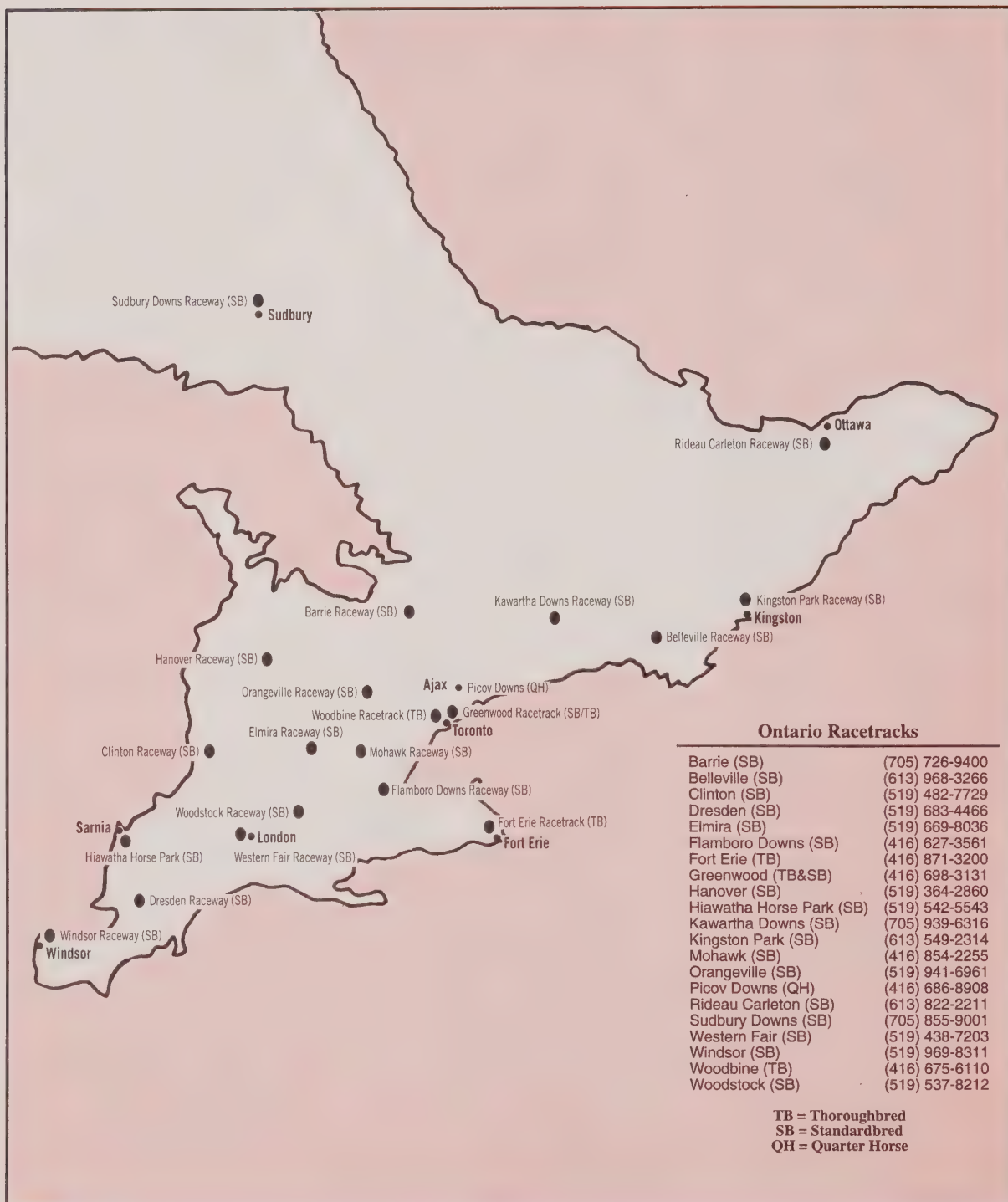
(6) Where the rules of the Commission, promulgated or adopted, provide for an appeal to an association or body, any person who is aggrieved shall appeal in accordance with the rules before applying to the Commission for a hearing under subsection (4).

(7) Any order or rule issued or made by the Commission under this Act shall be deemed to be of an administrative and not of a legislative nature.

(8) For the purposes of a hearing under subsection (4), three members of the Commission, one of whom shall be the chair or vice-chair, constitute a quorum.

(9) The Commission may, on its own motion, review any decision made by a racing association or body pursuant to a power delegated under subsection (2) and may, after affording the parties an opportunity to be heard, confirm the decision reviewed or substitute its own decision in lieu thereof. 1980, c. 429 s. 15.

Ontario Racetracks



Ontario Racing Commission



The exciting drive to the finish line by Quarter Horses at Picov Downs in Ajax.
Photo: Oshawa/Whitby This Week - Ron Pietroniro

Personnel of the Commission

As at December 31, 1993, the Commission consisted of:

Chair

Frank Drea

Vice-Chair

Harry J. Addison Jr.

Members

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Martin G. Caputo

Jane Hutchins

Gordon L. Shapley

Viviane Tomas

Judges and Stewards

A. Belore

G. Belore

G. Cahill

J. Campbell

P. Cass

A. Caughey

R. Croteau

P. Dyson

L. Geisel

D. Godkin

V. Gould

R. Grubb

M. Halfacree

E. Hall

N. Ham

P. Harrison

P. Hawman

W. Hicks

G. Horder

W. Lawrence

M. McAlear

W. McDonnell

R. McGee

I. McHutchion

N. McKnight

A. McManus

R. Minler

R. Miron

J. Murphy

J. Nemett

W. Pennington

T. Provost

D. Raymond

B. Russell

P. Smith

D. Sommerville

J. Thatcher

Officials of the Commission

Director

R.E. Aldous

Deputy Director of Racing

W.T. Stone

Secretary-Treasurer

G. Fernandes

Commission Counsel

A. Gibson

Supervisor of Thoroughbred Racing

E. Hall

Supervisor of Standardbred Racing

W. Fines

Executive Assistant to Chairman

V. Donovan

Administrative Officer

R. Roy

Field Staff

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R. Arsenaault

G. Balwar

G. Bertrand

J. Brown

S. Brown

P. Burrison-Webb

R. Crompton

H. Duford

V. James

J. LaRush

G. Lebel

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L. Moffatt

R. Moses

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E. Powell

D. Sweeney

M. Taylor

T. Walsh

T. Weir

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Communications

W.L. Hoogeveen

Chairman's/Director's Secretary

J. Chang Alloy

Secretary

D. Wright

Receptionist

A. Mason (underfill)

Administrative Assistant

B.V. Reid

Purchasing and Licensing Clerk (acting)

P. Dupuis

Licensing and Filing Clerk

J. Ford

Ontario Sires Stakes Coordinator

T. Iwanciw

Licensing & Cheque Coordinator

D. Lefebvre

Veterinarians

W.G. Balsdon

Branton Animal Hospital

W. Carroll

Clappison Veterinary Service

R. Conrad

J. Foote

G. Elliott

T.R. Furness

G. Gardiner

Lynden Veterinary Services

Millbrook Equine Clinic

Mohawk Equine Service

Nor-Ont Veterinary Service

E. Nugent

Ottawa Valley Large Animal Clinic

V. Robertshaw

P. Schoppel

St. Lawrence Veterinary Service

G. Taylor

Meetings and Hearings

The seven-member Commission meets on a regular basis to establish policy, to deal with administrative matters and to act as a quasi-judicial tribunal.

Commission Meetings

The Commission held eight formal meetings during 1993 at which regular business was attended to.

Hearings

In addition to formal meetings, the Commission sat for thirty-three days at which 35 licensees appeared for hearings or appeals.

Thoroughbred

During 1993, sixteen thoroughbred licensees or applicants for licenses appeared before the Commission for hearings relative to the Rules of Thoroughbred Racing.

Standardbred

Nineteen standardbred licensees or applicants for licenses appeared before the Commission for hearings pertaining to the Rules of Standardbred Racing.

General

In addition to the above, the Commission sat for twenty-six days of public hearings, seventeen of which were for racetrack licensees or race date applications, and nine of which were for teletheatre applications.

Racing Industry Appeal Board

This appeal tribunal is appointed by the Ontario Racing Commission upon recommendations from the Canadian Trotting Association and the Ontario Harness Horse Association.

This board hears Standardbred appeals relative to fines of less than \$300.00 and/or suspensions of less than 30 days. The Board sat for six days at which eighteen licensees appeared to have their appeals dealt with. Five appeals were allowed, 13 appeals were disallowed and one appeal was partially allowed.

Memberships

Association of Racing Commissioners, International

The Commission continues to hold active membership in the Association of Racing Commissioners International. This organization is comprised of representatives from all racing commissions throughout North America, Mexico and the Caribbean. The organization acts as a clearing house for changes in racing rules and statistical information. The Chair is a member of the Executive Board.

Racetracks Security Canada

Acting to facilitate the transfer of information between organizations on security matters and the investigation process, this organization is made up of racetrack security personnel as well as Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency and Commission representatives.

North American Judges and Stewards Association

Established in 1986, the North American Judges and Stewards Association (NAJSA) was created as an educational forum for all harness racing officials to meet as a body on an annual basis. The purposes of NAJSA are to upgrade the quality of officiating at harness races in North America, to represent harness racing officials before industry groups, to improve communications among its members, to provide a voice on integrity issues in the racing industry, to provide input into the promulgation of rules and regulation by racing commissions and other recognized racing authorities and to encourage its members to use uniform policies and procedures in the regulation of the sport.

American Association of Equine Practitioners

This association is a professional society of more than 4,500 members from the United States, Canada and over 40 other countries. Since its founding in 1944, one of the primary roles of the AAEP has been to act in an advisory capacity to the racing industry on matters affecting the health of the horse.

Summary of Licenses Issued

The Ontario Racing Commission licenses any person practicing a profession, trade, occupation or calling at any licensed Ontario racetrack.

Thoroughbred including Quarter Horse

	No. of Licenses	No. of Licenses
	1993	1992
Owner, New Owner and Owner Renewal (3 year)	1,827	2,077
Trainer and Trainer Assistant (3 year)	300	299
Owner/Trainer, New and Renewals (incl. 3 yr)	221	262
Jockey	133	133
Jockey Apprentice, Valets, and Jockey Agent	87	74
Tradesmen	165	157
Veterinarian (incl. 3 yr)	28	27
Occupational (Other)	2,252	2,263
Pari-Mutuel	165	259
Total Licenses Issued	5,178	5,551

Standardbred

	No. of Licenses	No. of Licenses
	1993	1992
Owner, New and Renewal	6,983	7,431
Stable/Multiple Ownership	306	269
Trainer	2,895	3,006
Driver	1,400	1,462
Groom	4,461	4,716
Tradesmen	131	120
Veterinarian	62	61
Occupational	305	566
Association	223	242
Commission Officials	44	60
Pari-Mutuel	346	489
Total Licenses Issued	17,156	18,422



Wagering and Attendance Statistics



On July 11, 1993 the 134th running of the Queen's Plate took place at Woodbine Racetrack.
Photo: Jeff Goode, The Toronto Star

Recap of Horse Racing in Ontario and Canada in 1993

Including revenue to the Provincial and Federal Government

	No. of Days	Attendance	Wagering	Provincial Tax (Net of Rebate)	Provincial Tax (Gross \$)	Federal Tax	%
Ontario							
Standardbred*	1,333	2,802,335	463,929,955	20,355,235	34,541,451	3,711,440	45.00%
Thoroughbred	294	2,656,324	567,019,864	30,325,912	42,216,151	4,536,159	54.99%
Quarter Horse	17	5,076	139,387	6,035	9,757	1,115	0.01%
Total Ontario	1,644	5,463,735	1,031,089,206	50,687,182	76,767,359	8,248,714	100.00%

* includes 34 days of Unsupervised Racing

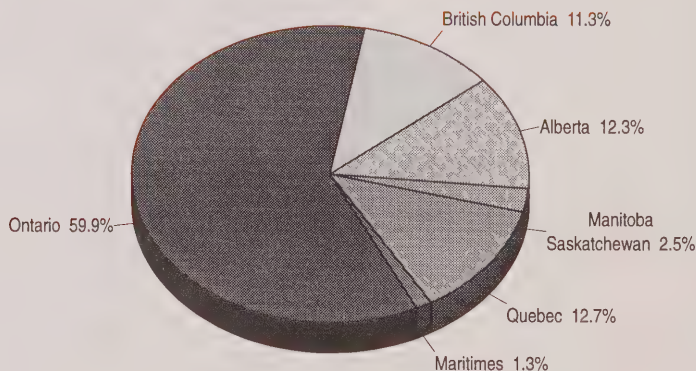
Canada							
Standardbred	2,752	5,036,394	841,213,069		57,384,287	6,729,705	48.85%
Thoroughbred*	903	4,713,033	881,231,416		65,198,489	7,047,719	51.15%
Total Canada	3,655	9,749,427	1,722,444,485		122,582,776	13,777,423	100.00%

*includes Quarter Horse

Provincial Detail

Ontario	1,644	5,463,735	1,031,089,206		76,767,359	8,248,714	59.86%
Quebec	530	1,367,586	218,279,549		14,888,008	1,746,236	12.67%
Alberta	457	1,149,017	213,016,444		10,674,747	1,704,132	12.37%
British Columbia	317	1,072,237	193,729,905		13,596,093	1,549,839	11.25%
Manitoba	118	355,623	33,070,163		3,201,078	264,561	1.92%
Nova Scotia	234	107,145	11,400,464		1,254,051	91,204	.66%
Saskatchewan	124	89,135	10,007,991		743,165	80,064	.58%
New Brunswick	97	71,055	5,918,238		651,006	47,346	.34%
Prince Edward Island	134	73,894	5,932,525		807,269	47,460	.34%
Newfoundland	0	0	0		0	0	.00%
Total	3,655	9,749,427	1,722,444,485		122,582,776	13,779,556	100.00%

Ontario's Share of the Canadian Wagering Dollar



Revenue Produced: Purses and Tax Dollars

Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Gross Prov Tax†	Net Prov Tax★	Fed Tax	Tax Dollars Produced			Purse Distribution	% Purse to Handle
						Gross Prov.	Net Prov★	Fed.		
Progress in Thoroughbred Racing										
1982	238	312,886,211	†7	5	0.6	22,736,539	16,365,639	1,877,317	23,642,791	7.56%
1983	248	304,967,668	†7	5	.7 to .8	22,436,485	15,344,485	2,134,774	24,764,794	8.12%
1984	245	319,343,712	†7	5	0.8	23,534,604	16,348,604	2,554,750	26,058,227	8.16%
1985	264	333,683,591	†7	5	0.8	24,505,628	16,926,228	2,669,469	28,622,164	8.58%
1986	282	365,528,513	†7	5	0.8	26,850,776	19,029,328	2,924,389	31,879,981	8.72%
1987	278	413,565,078	†7	5	0.8	30,347,090	21,772,744	3,308,521	35,287,923	8.53%
1988	287	452,114,414	†7	5	0.8	33,155,471	23,486,634	3,616,915	43,613,731	9.65%
1989	288	495,407,190	†7	5	0.8	36,239,126	25,723,027	3,963,258	45,393,965	9.16%
1990	292	535,324,696	†7	5	0.8	39,161,047	27,668,232	4,282,598	45,267,891	8.46%
1991	293	523,630,971	†7	5	0.8	38,291,814	26,096,919	4,189,047	47,905,579	9.14%
1992	293	521,513,857	†7	5	0.8	38,177,239	26,369,286	4,172,111	51,692,667	9.91%
1993	294	567,019,864	†7	5	0.8	42,216,151	30,325,912	4,536,159	47,176,882	8.32%
Progress in Quarter Horse Racing										
1982	7	118,298	†7	5	0.6	8,280	6,280	710	45,000	38.04%
1983	7	103,196	†7	5	.7 to .8	7,224	5,224	722	42,160	40.85%
1984	7	82,426	†7	5	0.8	5,770	3,770	659	118,979	144.35%
1985	7	84,692	†7	5	0.8	5,928	4,280	667	95,942	113.28%
1986	12	139,651	†7	5	0.8	9,776	8,082	1,115	128,546	92.05%
1987	13	118,110	†7	5	0.8	8,268	5,475	945	143,933	121.86%
1988	16	141,124	†7	5	0.8	9,879	7,517	1,129	149,548	105.97%
1989	20	244,565	†7	5	0.8	17,119	14,297	1,957	184,220	75.33%
1990	21	334,927	†7	5	0.8	23,445	18,554	2,679	247,264	73.88%
1991	21	258,061	†7	5	0.8	18,064	11,366	2,064	228,182	88.42%
1992	18	186,106	†7	5	0.8	13,027	7,866	1,488	126,997	68.23%
1993	17	139,387	†7	5	0.8	9,757	6,035	1,115	97,775	70.14%
Progress in Standardbred Racing										
1982	1657	537,622,721	†7	5	0.6	39,485,360	27,655,360	3,225,736	43,850,209	8.16%
1983	1672	517,786,938	†7	5	.7 to .8	38,496,281	25,892,281	3,624,508	48,546,946	9.38%
1984	1633	507,096,175	†7	5	0.8	37,737,130	25,130,430	4,056,769	48,172,749	9.50%
1985	1549	494,314,388	†7	5	0.8	36,825,981	24,455,781	3,954,118	48,969,604	9.91%
1986	1625	524,243,023	†7	5	0.8	39,260,613	27,150,352	4,193,437	53,690,705	10.24%
1987	1551	560,118,892	†7	5	0.8	42,070,986	29,022,540	4,480,951	58,234,266	10.40%
1988	1643	607,601,166	†7	5	0.8	45,475,891	31,410,847	4,860,809	65,135,136	10.72%
1989	1628	627,249,647	†7	5	0.8	46,854,374	31,724,890	5,010,190	68,430,917	10.93%
1990	1585	616,089,970	†7	5	0.8	46,101,128	30,560,444	4,928,719	68,804,411	11.17%
1991	1498	560,950,032	†7	5	0.8	42,076,205	26,579,656	4,487,600	60,714,864	10.82%
1992	1486	548,569,954	†7	5	0.8	41,403,406	27,072,390	4,388,559	65,425,855	11.92%
1993	1333	463,929,955	†7	5	0.8	34,541,451	20,355,235	3,711,440	61,693,065	13.29%

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Wagering and Attendance Trends in Ontario

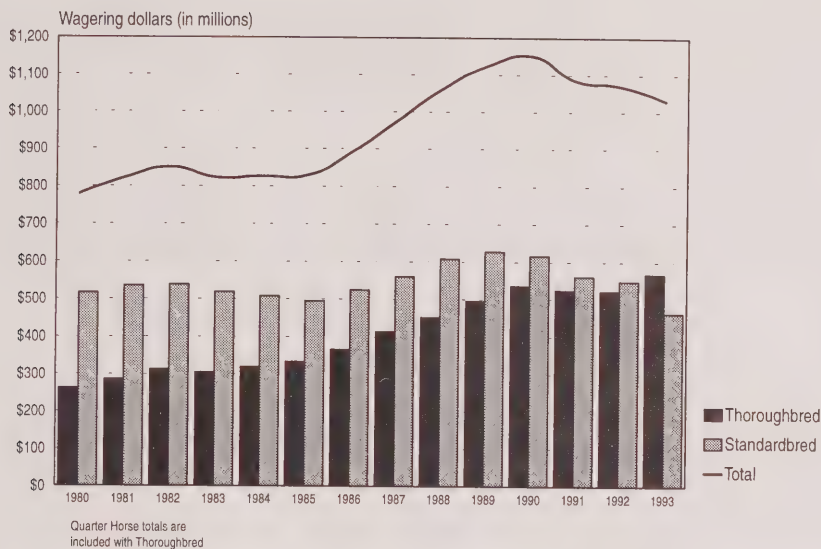
Wagering

Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered
1980	1584	\$515,787,745	233	\$262,821,324	7	\$156,928	1,824	\$778,765,997
1981	1621	\$534,950,803	237	\$286,498,285	7	\$159,977	1,865	\$821,609,065
1982	1657	\$537,622,939	238	\$312,886,211	7	\$118,298	1,902	\$850,627,448
1983	1672	\$517,786,938	241	\$304,864,472	7	\$103,196	1,920	\$822,754,606
1984	1633	\$507,096,175	245	\$319,343,712	7	\$82,426	1,885	\$826,522,313
1985	1549	\$494,314,388	264	\$333,683,591	7	\$84,692	1,820	\$828,082,671
1986	1625	\$524,243,023	282	\$365,528,513	12	\$139,651	1,919	\$889,911,187
1987	1551	\$560,118,892	278	\$413,565,078	13	\$118,110	1,842	\$973,802,080
1988	1643	\$607,601,166	287	\$452,114,414	16	\$141,124	1,946	\$1,059,856,704
1989	1628	\$627,249,647	288	\$495,407,190	20	\$244,565	1,936	\$1,122,901,402
1990	1585	\$616,089,970	292	\$535,324,696	21	\$334,927	1,898	\$1,151,749,593
1991	1498	\$560,950,032	293	\$523,630,971	21	\$258,061	1,812	\$1,084,839,064
1992	1486	\$548,569,954	293	\$521,513,857	18	\$186,106	1,797	\$1,070,269,917
1993	1,333	\$463,929,955	294	\$567,019,864	17	\$139,387	1,644	\$1,031,089,206

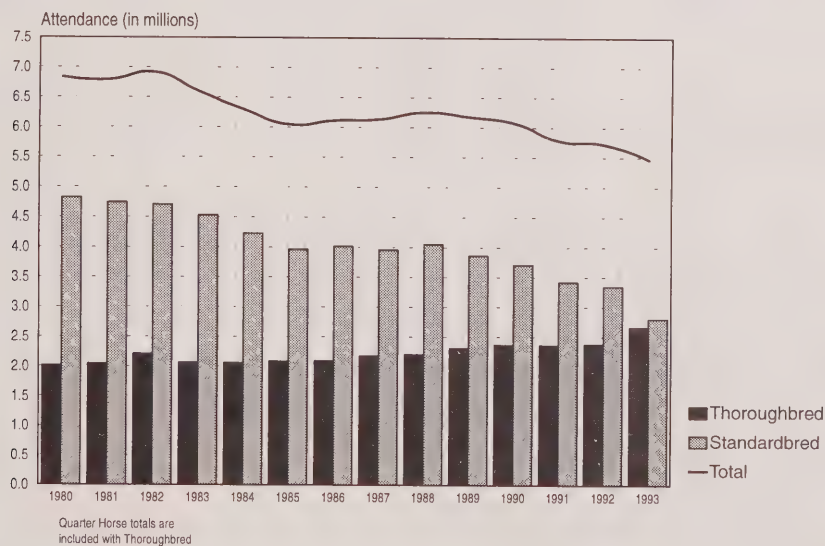
Attendance

Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Total	Average	Total	Average	Total	Average	Total	Average
1980	4,819,098	3,042	2,010,182	8,627	4,686	669	6,833,966	3,747
1981	4,741,751	2,925	2,041,620	8,614	5,287	755	6,788,658	3,640
1982	4,705,750	2,840	2,206,803	9,272	4,036	577	6,916,589	3,636
1983	4,531,161	2,710	2,058,037	8,540	3,304	472	6,592,502	3,434
1984	4,229,634	2,590	2,056,743	8,395	3,418	488	6,289,795	3,337
1985	3,960,341	2,557	2,083,007	7,890	2,947	421	6,046,295	3,322
1986	4,018,687	2,473	2,089,251	7,409	6,115	510	6,114,053	3,186
1987	3,958,233	2,552	2,174,243	7,821	3,532	272	6,136,008	3,331
1988	4,051,641	2,466	2,193,147	7,642	6,727	420	6,251,515	3,212
1989	3,862,048	2,372	2,305,590	8,005	7,320	366	6,174,958	3,189
1990	3,709,300	2,340	2,358,753	8,078	7,755	369	6,075,808	3,201
1991	3,421,738	2,284	2,352,814	8,030	6,784	323	5,781,336	3,190
1992	3,345,779	2,251	2,372,312	8,069	5,259	292	5,723,370	3,185
1993	2,802,335	2,102	2,656,324	9,035	5,259	309	5,463,735	3,323

Wagering Trends



Attendance Trends



Wagering and Attendance Statistics

Comparison of 1992 and 1993

Tracks	No. of Days			Wagering Handle (\$) Reported *			Wagering Handle (\$) Actual on Site **		
	1993	1992	%+-	1993	1992	%+-	1993	1992	%+-
Thoroughbred									
Woodbine	135	134	0.7%	396,604,663	327,639,874	21.0%	340,855,020	330,314,155	3.2%
Greenwood	57	58	-1.7%	120,954,604	137,051,581	-11.7%	89,463,621	113,313,447	-21.0%
Fort Erie	102	101	1.0%	49,460,597	56,822,402	-13.0%	77,042,771	68,470,447	12.5%
Total Thoroughbred	294	293	0.3%	567,019,864	521,513,857	8.7%	507,361,412	512,098,049	-0.9%
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)									
Total Quarter Horse	17	18	-5.6%	139,387	186,106	-25.1%	139,387	186,106	-25.1%
Standardbred									
Class I									
Greenwood	139	140	-0.7%	180,344,526	227,134,033	-20.6%	250,630,373	269,854,618	-7.1%
Mohawk	119	119	0.0%	144,675,851	151,822,863	-4.7%	51,107,151	64,822,852	-21.2%
OJC	258	259	-0.4%	325,020,376	378,956,896	-14.2%	301,737,524	334,677,470	-9.8%
Windsor	133	170	-21.8%	37,173,681	47,668,417	-22.0%	70,948,519	70,052,535	1.3%
	391	429	-8.9%	362,194,057	426,625,313	-15.1%	372,686,043	404,730,005	-7.9%
Class II									
Flamboro Downs	185	194	-4.6%	34,050,969	40,043,456	-15.0%	33,947,956	44,155,164	-23.1%
Rideau Carleton	104	109	-4.6%	18,941,629	18,705,393	1.3%	21,905,834	20,321,698	7.8%
	289	303	-4.6%	52,992,598	58,748,849	-9.8%	55,853,790	64,476,862	-13.4%
Class III									
Western Fair	127	133	-4.5%	13,914,483	15,696,522	-11.4%	21,307,186	23,175,368	-8.1%
Hiawatha	60	50	20.0%	5,004,166	5,294,857	-5.5%	10,267,813	9,770,778	5.1%
Barrie	99	100	-1.0%	8,852,829	10,711,455	-16.4%	9,369,044	10,954,320	-14.5%
Kawartha Downs	49	57	-14.0%	4,208,880	5,511,978	-23.6%	4,208,880	5,511,978	-23.6%
Elmira	50	50	0.0%	3,454,088	3,459,827	-0.2%	17,617,110	10,181,747	73.0%
Sudbury Downs	50	51	-2.0%	2,681,410	3,113,047	-13.9%	14,342,923	3,113,047	360.7%
Orangeville	40	102	-60.8%	2,667,664	8,869,194	-69.9%	3,321,175	10,399,748	-68.1%
	475	543	-12.5%	40,883,520	52,656,880	-22.4%	80,434,131	73,106,986	10.0%
Class IV									
Kingston Park	34	48	-29.2%	1,445,192	2,244,361	-35.6%	2,299,232	4,127,121	-44.3%
Dresden	27	32	-15.6%	2,045,764	2,812,240	-27.3%	3,781,350	3,267,279	15.7%
Woodstock	21	24	-12.5%	1,252,244	1,859,780	-32.7%	3,346,267	3,532,448	-5.3%
Belleville	24	23	4.3%	873,513	1,013,725	-13.8%	2,663,388	1,408,310	89.1%
Hanover	27	27	0.0%	1,152,168	1,208,769	-4.7%	1,433,307	1,936,714	-26.0%
Clinton	11	12	-8.3%	658,805	723,785	-9.0%	658,805	723,785	-9.0%
Goderich	0	7	n/a		175,566	n/a		175,566	n/a
	144	173	-16.8%	7,427,686	10,038,226	-26.0%	14,182,349	15,171,223	-6.5%
Total Supervised	1,299	1,448	-10.3%	463,497,861	548,069,268	-15.4%	523,156,313	557,485,076	-6.2%
Unsupervised	34	38	-10.5%	432,094	500,686	-13.7%	432,094	500,686	-13.7%
Total Standardbred	1,333	1,486	-10.3%	463,929,955	548,569,954	-15.4%	523,588,407	557,985,762	-6.2%
Grand Total	1,644	1,797	-8.5%	1,031,089,206	1,070,269,917	-3.7%	1,031,089,206	1,070,269,917	-3.7%

Wagering % +/- Reported / Actual on Site		Daily Average (\$) Actual on Site			Attendance		
1993	1992	1993	1992	%+-	1993	1992	%+-
-14.1%	0.8%	2,524,852	2,465,031	2.4%	1,770,914	1,398,857	26.6%
-26.0%	-17.3%	1,569,537	1,953,680	-19.7%	523,074	575,734	-9.1%
55.8%	20.5%	755,321	677,925	11.4%	362,336	397,721	-8.9%
-10.5%	-1.8%	1,725,719	1,747,775	-1.3%	2,656,324	2,372,312	12.0%
0.0%	0.0%	8,199	10,339	-20.7%	5,076	5,259	-3.5%
39.0%	18.8%	1,803,096	1,927,533	-6.5%	833,729	1,014,654	-17.8%
-64.7%	-57.3%	429,472	544,730	-21.2%	690,716	785,486	-12.1%
-7.2%	-11.7%	1,169,525	1,292,191	-9.5%	1,524,445	1,800,140	15.3%
90.9%	47.0%	533,448	412,074	29.5%	257,901	309,352	-16.6%
2.9%	-5.1%				1,782,346	2,109,492	-15.5%
-0.3%	10.3%	183,502	227,604	-19.4%	265,536	315,590	-15.9%
15.6%	8.6%	210,633	186,438	13.0%	180,181	193,133	-6.7%
5.4%	9.8%				445,717	508,723	-12.4%
53.1%	47.6%	167,773	174,251	-3.7%	156,947	177,517	-11.6%
105.2%	84.5%	171,130	195,416	-12.4%	64,482	58,378	10.5%
4.6%	2.3%	94,637	109,543	-13.6%	92,076	103,692	-11.2%
0.0%	0.0%	85,896	96,701	-11.2%	48,283	61,859	-21.9%
410.0%	194.3%	352,342	203,635	73.0%	33,916	40,421	-16.1%
434.9%	0.0%	286,858	61,040	370.0%	23,866	35,573	-32.9%
24.5%	17.3%	83,029	101,958	-18.6%	30,993	98,312	-68.5%
96.7%	38.8%				450,563	575,752	-21.7%
59.1%	83.9%	67,624	85,982	-21.4%	13,929	22,322	-37.6%
84.8%	16.2%	140,050	102,102	37.2%	29,904	36,225	-17.4%
167.2%	89.9%	159,346	147,185	8.3%	17,424	21,936	-20.6%
204.9%	38.9%	110,975	61,231	81.2%	12,908	13,540	-4.7%
24.4%	60.2%	53,085	71,730	-26.0%	25,806	26,512	-2.7%
0.0%	0.0%	59,891	60,315	-0.7%	11,516	12,468	-7.6%
%	0.0%		25,081			5,946	
90.9%	51.1%				111,487	138,949	-19.8%
12.9%	1.7%				2,790,113	3,332,916	-16.3%
0.0%	0.0%	12,709	13,176	-3.5%	12,222	12,883	-5.1%
12.9%	1.7%	392,790	375,495	4.6%	2,802,335	3,345,799	-16.2%
0.0%	0.0%				5,463,735	5,723,370	-4.5%

Intertrack Wagering

Tracks	Thoroughbred Signal	Standardbred Signal	Total
Thoroughbred			
Woodbine	78,661,822	46,911,560	125,573,382
Greenwood	35,967,984	23,754,476	59,722,460
Fort Erie	22,710,944	9,403,544	32,114,488
Total	137,340,750	80,069,580	217,410,330
Standardbred			
Greenwood	65,654,528	29,301,345	94,955,873
Windsor	29,019,558	7,621,282	36,640,840
Flamboro	103,399	336,166	439,565
Rideau Carleton	1,864,442	798,801	2,663,243
Weseter Fair	80,697	7,312,006	7,392,703
Hiawatha	1,255,589	4,008,027	5,263,616
Barrie		761,828	761,828
Elmira	7,112,251	7,050,771	14,163,022
Sudbury	25,259	3,045,475	3,070,734
Kingston		870,347	870,347
Dresden	5,891	1,733,937	1,739,828
Woodstock	30,063	2,063,960	2,094,023
Belleville	103,374	835,884	939,258
Hanover		281,179	281,179
Total	105,255,051	66,021,008	171,276,059
Grand Total	242,595,801	146,090,588	388,686,389

Teletheatres

Teletheatre	TB	SB	Total
Flamboro Downs Network			
Avalon, Oakville		150,615	150,615
Bugsy's, St. Catharines		175,421	175,421
Chaps, Burlington		59,520	59,520
Days Inn, Welland		151,050	151,050
Norfolk Inn, Simcoe		79,617	79,617
Pine Hotel, Thorold		112,636	112,636
Sheraton, Niagara Falls		30,505	30,505
Thirsty Senator, Burlington		152,520	152,520
Ontario Jockey Club			
Doctor's House	1,511,576	389,085	1,900,661
Sudbury Downs Network			
Bon Air, Kirkland Lake	101,886	263,122	365,008
Champions, North Bay	110,873	2,139,030	2,249,903
Dante's, Kapuskasing	7,279	22,821	30,100
Kosy Corner, Elliott Lake	63,350	799,034	862,384
Mendes Roadhouse, Timmins	132,120	2,387,828	2,519,948
U Betcha, Sault Ste. Marie	54,530	1,120,940	1,175,470
Zaps Sports Bar, Sudbury	248,155	2,161,024	2,409,179
Western Fair			
La Cage Restaurant, London	21,147	2,452,091	2,473,238

Teletheatre	TB	SB	Total
Rideau Carleton Network			
Atlantic Restaurant, Alexandria		75,231	75,231
Breakaway Pub, Kemptville		78,598	78,598
Crazy Horse Lounge, Carp		76,631	76,631
Glendale, Summerstown		40,864	40,864
Howard John., Morrisburg		37,750	37,750
Isaac Brock, Brockville	71,503	137,361	208,864
Islander Tavern, Cardinal		56,593	56,593
Le Chivas Sports, Hawksbury		60,193	60,193
Lee Tavern, Smith Falls		101,104	101,104
O'Donnell's Station, Perth		111,552	111,552
Odies Sports Bar, Cornwall		580,542	580,542
Ottawa Exhibition, Ottawa	109,452	121,499	230,951
Rainbow Dining, Prescott		27,788	27,788
Sassy's, Petawawa		337,790	337,790
The Prior Sports Bar, Arnprior		76,575	76,575
The Valley Inn, Renfrew		9,991	9,991
Belleville/Rideau Carleton			
O'Tooles, Belleville	19,991	831,633	851,624
Total Teletheatre Wagering	2,451,862	15,408,374	17,860,236

Racing Statistics



Commission Activity – Thoroughbred

The Stewards issued 430 rulings against licensed personnel for various infractions involving owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders in 1993.

Inquiries by the Stewards

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1971	82	46	36
1972	84	59	25
1973	39	24	15
1974	51	21	30
1975	41	15	26
1976	45	18	27
1977	26	5	21
1978	28	14	14
1979	59	29	30
1980	65	26	39
1981	92	48	44
1982	81	49	32
1983	109	67	42
1984	76	54	22
1985	63	51	12
1986	70	43	27
1987	62	42	20
1988	68	57	11
1989	79	64	15
1990	66	53	13
1991	78	66	12
1992	84	69	15
1993	71	52	19

Claims of Foul

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1971	95	30	65
1972	81	24	57
1973	78	28	50
1974	83	26	57
1975	86	29	57
1976	61	21	40
1977	93	24	69
1978	91	37	54
1979	97	32	65
1980	111	40	71
1981	131	40	91
1982	87	30	57
1983	93	27	66
1984	90	27	63
1985	90	32	58
1986	92	28	64
1987	89	27	62
1988	118	29	89
1989	117	18	99
1990	140	34	106
1991	131	42	89
1992	133	42	91
1993	144	40	104

Scratches

	1991	1992	1993
By Commission			
Veterinarians	431	479	466
By Stewards	383	488	423
As part of entries	85	96	119
Out of stakes	38	23	27
Total	937	1,086	1,035

Trainers' Examinations

	1991	1992	1993
Number of examinations written	22	42	53
Number of examinations passed	21	33	42
Number of examinations failed	1	9	4

Urine and Blood Tests

	1990	1991	1992	1993
Number ordered by the stewards (inc. extras)	6,459	6,554	6,437	6,738
Number taken	6,336	6,370	6,290	6,616
Number abandoned	68	51	43	37

Claims – Standardbred

							\$Value	Average \$ Value
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1993	1993
Barrie	61	84	73	52	57	84	278,625	3,317
Belleville	3	5	9	2	2	2	4,500	2,250
Clinton	4	9	5	4	9	4	9,625	2,406
Dresden	34	29	28	19	16	23	50,625	2,201
Elmira	13	16	23	10	16	26	110,375	4,799
Flamboro Downs	135	109	93	90	121	105	619,450	5,899
Goderich	6	4	7	2	n/a	3	n/a	n/a
Greenwood	278	352	252	148	174	238	5,904,250	24,807
Hanover	19	13	10	19	15	9	22,500	2,500
Hiawatha	21	87	53	29	38	51	151,175	2,964
Kawartha Downs	6	12	13	11	19	20	91,875	4,593
Kingston Park	26	19	29	30	45	19	38,500	2,026
Leamington	11	3	12	8	n/a	21	n/a	n/a
Mohawk	199	207	149	115	130	166	4,656,000	28,048
Orangeville	52	65	66	32	43	18	58,625	3,256
Rideau Carleton	105	94	50	48	55	74	339,375	4,586
Sudbury	27	7	19	19	15	13	47,500	3,653
Western Fair	61	86	79	86	84	83	284,500	3,427
Windsor	98	147	132	94	134	132	762,000	5,772
Woodstock	2	5	8	7	9	10	34,000	3,400
Total	1,161	1,353	1,110	825	982	1,077	13,463,500	12,500

Claims and Tattooing – Thoroughbred

Tattooing

Year	Number of Horses Tattooed
1982	936
1983	1,044
1984	1,056
1985	1,090
1986	1,310
1987	1,300
1988	1,419
1989	1,461
1990	1,327
1991	1,349
1992	1,292
1993	1,162

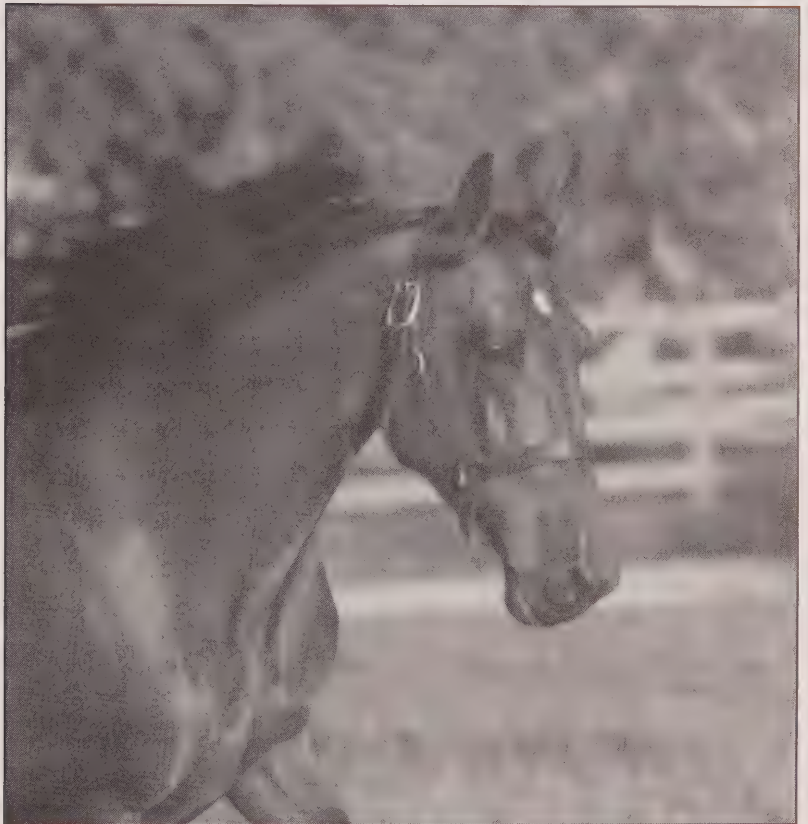
Claims

Year	No.	Average Value
1982	626	\$9,522
1983	689	\$10,316
1984	676	\$10,257
1985	696	\$10,379
1986	861	\$9,918
1987	913	\$11,234
1988	815	\$12,811
1989	1,050	\$9,878
1990	639	\$12,992
1991	544	\$13,320
1992	863	\$12,926
1993	821	\$12,554

Positive Tests

	Standardbred					Thoroughbred				
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
Azaperol										
Betamethasone				1						
Bumetanide		2								
Burprenorphine										
Butorphanol				1						
Caffeine				2						
Clenbuterol	1	2			3	1				2
Cocaine				1						
Cromoglycate				1	7				1	
Dantrolene										
Desmethyldiazepam										
Detomidine					2					
Diclofenac				1						
Dipyron	2	3	1	3				1		
Dexamethasone			1	1	1					
Ergonovine	3									
Ethacrynic Acid			1							
Flunixin				2	2					
Furosemide	7	6	8	6	6	1	2	1	2	4
Glycopyrrolate			2							1
Guaifenesin	2	1	1		2					
Heptaminol		1		1						
Hydroxy Detomidine			1							
Hydroxyethyl Promazine	1									
Isoflupredone			1							
Isoxsuprine				2						
Ketoprofen									2	
Mazindol				2						
Meclofenamic Acid				2						
Methamphetamine					3					
Methocarbamol		1	2	6	5					
Morphine			1	1						
Naproxen	1									
Naquasone				1						
Nefopam	1									
Phenamine	1									
Phenylbutazone	13	7	4	3	2	1	2	1		
Phenylpropanolamine		14	2	5	3					1
Prednisolone			1		2				1	
Procaine	3	2	2	1	5					1
Promazine	7	2		1		1			1	
Sabutamol				1						
Salicylic Acid		1								
Terbutaline			2							
Theophylline	2				3					
Trichlormethiazide	5	3				1				
Total	49	45	30	45	46	5	4	3	7	9

Improvement Programs



Leading Ontario Sires Stakes pacing stallion Run The Table

Photo: Monica Thors

The Ontario Government collects a tax from wagering at all racetracks in the province. This tax is a percentage of the amount wagered and is, at present, set at seven percent with an additional two percent tax on triactor features. In 1968, the Ontario Government raised its pari-mutuel tax by one percent. At that time, it was stated that the extra one percent would be allocated to furthering the goals and requirements of Ontario's racing industry. This evolved in 1974 to the present rebate program. In 1981 a further one percent of the existing tax was rebated to the industry raising the level of the rebate to two percent and in the case of triactor features to four percent.

How was the agreement reached?

All areas of the horse racing and breeding industry in Ontario were consulted. The following associations provided input towards how the proposal would best serve the industry:

Standardbred Breeders and Owners
Association/Ontario
Ontario Harness Horse Association
Canadian Standardbred Horse Society
Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective
Association
Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society
National Association of Canadian
Racetracks (Ontario Division)
Harness Tracks of Ontario

Agreement between the province and the industry was reached and the Improvement Program came into effect in 1974.

What is the purpose of the Improvement Program?

The Improvement Program serves four purposes:

1. to supplement purses paid to horse owners,
2. to improve the quality and quantity of racing stock in Ontario,
3. to fund equine research, and
4. to promote the Ontario-bred horse.

What was the dollar value of the program in 1993?

In 1992, the total amount wagered at race tracks in Ontario was \$1,070,269,917. Based on this figure, the value of the Improvement Program in 1993 was \$26,080,177, allocated as follows:

Standardbred Racing:	\$14,186,216
Thoroughbred Racing:	\$11,890,239
Quarter Horse Racing:	\$3,722
TOTAL	\$26,080,177

The amount returned to each segment of the industry is prorated according to the total dollars wagered. These funds are then apportioned to research, breeders' incentive programs, supplemental purse grants and publicity budgets.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TAX SHARING ARRANGEMENT

Equine Research

Under the 1993 program, The Guelph Centre for Equine Research at the University of Guelph was allocated funds for research projects.

Overnight Purse Supplements

This part of the program addresses purse levels in general through the distribution of overnight purse supplements. By supplementing purses paid to owners, the racing industry and the provincial government are encouraging the purchase of better racing stock and are helping to offset increasing operating costs which owners are experiencing.

In 1993, the Thoroughbred Industry received \$8,215,627 in overnight purse supplements and the Standardbred Industry received \$8,265,285.

Racing and Breeding Incentives

Through the racing and breeding incentives, rebate money is actively directed towards programs which will benefit the industry.

The Standardbred Program totaled \$5,743,672 in 1993 and included the Ontario Sires Stakes and Trillium Series purses, Breeders' Awards, and a Publicity Budget.

The Thoroughbred Program totaled \$3,520,983 and the Ontario Sires Stakes, a Publicity Budget and funding for major stakes purses.

The Ontario Sires Stakes Program

Established in 1974, the Ontario Standardbred Sires Stakes has proved to be one of the most successful government programs. It has reduced the outflow of Ontario capital to the United States for the purchase of yearlings, improved Ontario stock through economic incentives to breeders and increased employment in the racing industry.

In the Standardbred Program the Ontario Sires Stakes are a series of races with supplemented purses for two and three year old trotters and pacers at tracks across Ontario. It is a self-help program in which breeders, horsemen and tracks contribute to the purse through stallion levies, nomination and sustaining payments, starting fees and track fees.

1993 was the first full year of operation under a newly revamped Ontario Sires Stakes program for both two and three year-old horses. The races were split into two tiers – the Grassroots Series and the Gold Series. Both series were raced in elimination and finals with an approximate purse of \$30,000 for the Grassroots and \$100,000 for the Gold. Each category of horse (ie 2 year old filly trot) raced a number of each of these series over the course of the summer.

In total there were 112 races (including eliminations and finals) which were contested in a total of 288 division. The total purse value of these races were \$7,729,961. Breeders' Awards of \$495,360 were distributed to the breeders of each of the top five horses in the Gold Series finals.

To be eligible to the Ontario Sires Stakes, foals must have been sired by a stallion standing in Ontario and registered with the program. These stallions must either be owned or leased by an Ontario resident. As a result, the number and quality of sires standing in Ontario has improved considerably which has led to the development of breeding establishments which are now competitive on a world class level.

Because of the success of the Standardbred venture, a similar program was launched in 1975 for Thoroughbreds. In 1993 there were ten Ontario Sires Stakes Thoroughbred races with a total purse value of \$1,139,400.

Trillium Series

In an effort to promote the development of the Standardbred broodmare band in Ontario, ten races for two-year-old fillies were established eight years ago. Five races each for trotters and pacers went for a total purse of \$754,243.

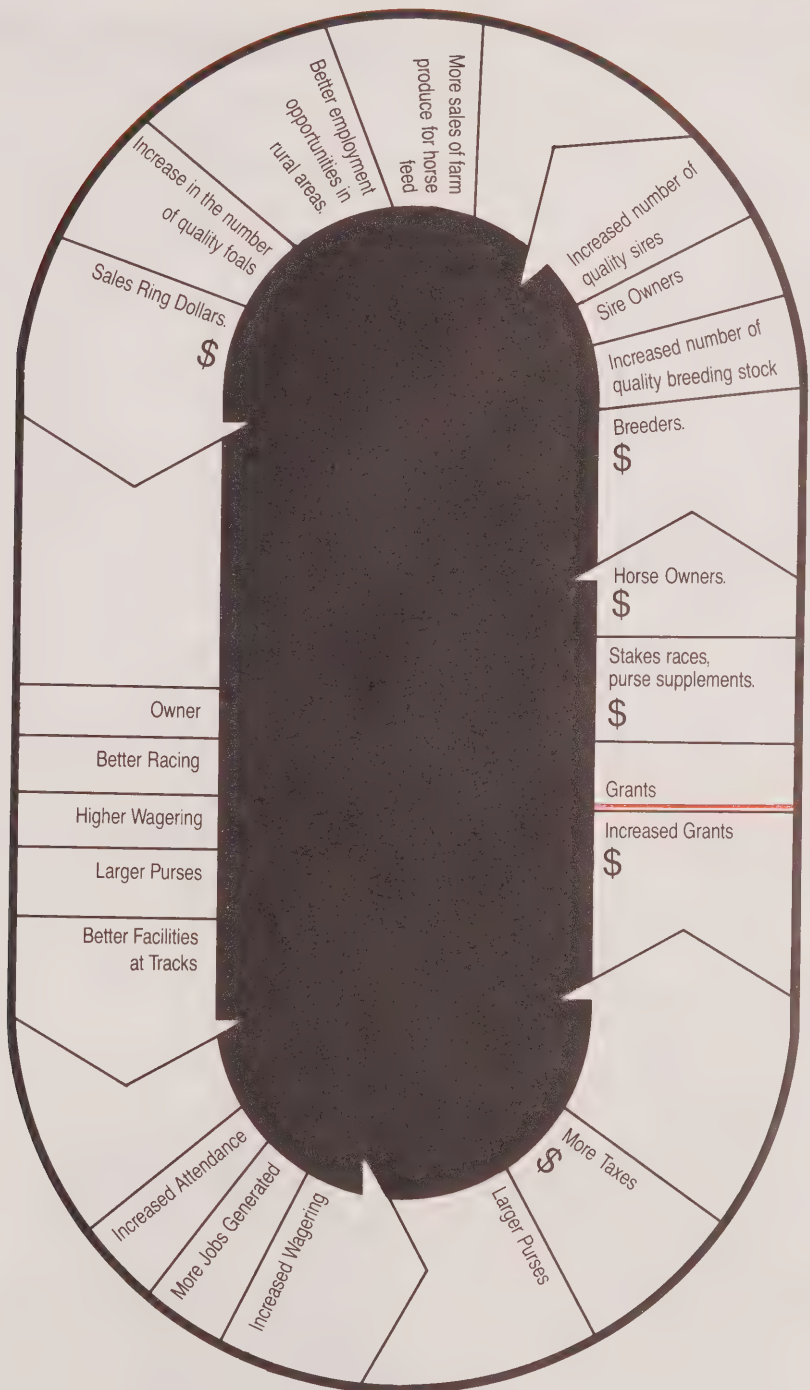
Thoroughbred Racing Incentives

Further assistance is allocated to the Thoroughbred industry through an incentive program for breeders which includes purse support to existing stakes to improve the sales appeal of Canadian-bred horses. In 1993, the total purse value of government supported stakes races was \$5,350,000. This figure includes Ontario Sires Stakes races but does not include starting fees to these races.

CONCLUSION

The Improvement Program is an excellent example of business and government working together to provide very tangible benefits to the residents of Ontario. Since its inception in 1974, this program has played a direct role in increasing employment in the racing industry, in helping small Ontario farms remain economically stable and, of course, in enhancing the enjoyment for the more than 5.5 million people who attend racing annually.

How the Program Stimulates Growth Within the Ontario Racing Industry



Improvement Program – 1993 Funding

Total 1992 Wagering

\$1,070,269,917

2% Of 1992 Wagering Handle:

Standardbred:

Supervised Tracks	\$11,149,701
Unsupervised Tracks (Fairs)	10,014
Triactor Tax Rebate	3,026,501

Thoroughbred

10,241,961

Triactor Tax Rebate 1,648,278

Quarter Horse

3,722

Total 1993 Rebate

\$26,080,177

1993 Standardbred Program

Equine Research	167,245
Overnight Purse Supplements	8,265,285
Ontario Sires Stakes	4,458,305
Trillium Series	410,000
Publicity Budget	380,000
Breeders' Award	495,367
Unsupervised Tracks Purse Grants	10,014

Total Standardbred Program

14,186,216

1993 Thoroughbred Program

Equine Research	153,629
Overnight Purse Supplements	8,215,627
Racing and Breeding Incentives	3,520,983

Total Thoroughbred Program

11,890,239

1993 Quarter Horse Program

3,722

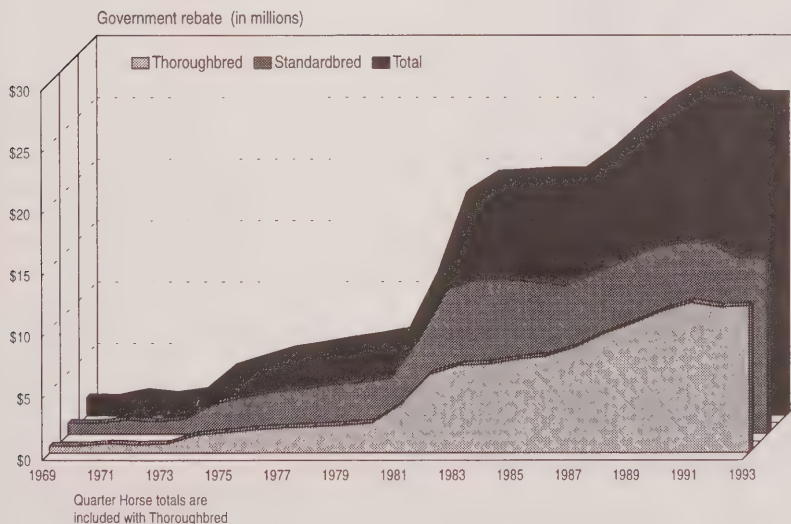
Total 1993 Assistance Program

\$26,080,177

Dollar Value Of The Improvement Program – 1968 To Present

Year	Standardbred Program	Thoroughbred Program	Quarter Horse Program	Program
1968	908,900	616,100		1,525,000
1969	930,438	570,269		1,500,707
1970	900,215	564,740		1,464,955
1971	1,175,877	774,168		1,950,045
1972	1,031,003	670,322		1,701,325
1973	1,266,493	747,010		2,013,503
1974	2,510,639	1,442,525		3,953,164
1975	3,027,349	1,662,351		4,689,700
1976	3,482,000	1,892,300		5,374,300
1977	3,711,000	2,030,100	4,300	5,745,400
1978	4,033,000	2,126,000	1,000	6,160,000
1979	4,249,000	2,250,000	1,000	6,500,000
1980	4,545,000	2,414,900	1,000	6,960,900
1981	7,736,000	3,942,000	2,000	11,680,000
1982	11,830,000	6,370,900	2,000	18,202,900
1983	12,604,000	7,092,000	2,000	19,698,000
1984	12,606,700	7,186,000	2,000	19,794,700
1985	12,370,200	7,579,400	1,648	19,951,248
1986	12,110,261	7,821,448	1,694	19,933,403
1987	13,048,446	8,574,346	2,793	21,625,585
1988	14,065,044	9,668,837	2,362	23,736,243
1989	15,129,484	10,516,099	2,822	25,648,405
1990	15,540,684	11,492,815	4,891	27,038,390
1991	15,496,549	12,194,895	6,698	27,698,142
1992	14,331,016	11,807,953	5,161	26,144,130
1993	14,186,216	11,890,239	3,722	26,080,177

Improvement Program Funding



Thoroughbred Improvement Program



Photo: Michael Burns

1993 Thoroughbred Improvement Program

Allocation of Thoroughbred Improvement Program Funds

Thoroughbred Live Wagering	\$521,513,857	
Less: Intertrack & Separate Pool	9,415,808	
Total 1992 Thoroughbred Wagering		\$512,098,049
Provincial Rebate (2%)		\$10,241,961
Less 1.5% for Equine Research and Capital Fund		153,629
Balance		\$10,088,332
Add: Triactor Rebate		1,648,278
Balance available for Improvement Program		\$11,736,610
Overnight Purse Supplements (70%)	\$8,215,627	
Racing & Breeding Incentives (30%)	\$3,520,983	

1993 Program

The 1993 Thoroughbred Improvement Program rebated 2% of the total amount wagered at Ontario Thoroughbred race-tracks in 1992 to the industry in the form of racing and breeding incentives and overnight purse supplements. The Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society in conjunction with the Ontario Racing Commission determines the emphasis that the racing and breeding incentive program will take. Similarly, the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association in conjunction with the Ontario Racing Commission determine how the overnight purse supplements are to be distributed among the races.

The Thoroughbred Improvement Program was designed to showcase and improve Canadian-breds, enhance thoroughbred racing in Ontario, encourage breeding to stallions standing in the province and to foster investment at Ontario thoroughbred sales and in Canadian-breds in general.

Support of the regular program of racing through overnight purse supplements assists with the rising costs of horse ownership and offers encouragement for Canadian-breds which are not of stakes calibre.

By giving strong emphasis to the Canadian-breds, the racing and breeding incentive program helps to enhance the money earning lines in pedigrees thus increasing the value of Canadian-breds. With a couple of exceptions, the minimum purse for a stakes race for Canadian-breds was \$100,000.

Highlights of the Year

- ❑ Four Ontario-bred runners won Grade 1 races in 1993. When Kinghaven Farm's *Alydeed* sped to victory in the Carter Handicap he solidified his position as one of the fastest horses of his generation. *Schossberg*, owned by Steve Stavro's Knob Hill Stables, captured the Jerome Handicap and Frank Stronach's *Explosive Red* won the Hollywood Derby. *Exchange*, bred by Kinghaven Farm, won both the Santa Ana Handicap and the Santa Barbara Handicap.
- ❑ Canadian-bred *Peteski* became the third Triple Crown winner in the past five years. In the Molson Million, *Peteski* teamed up with Canadian-bred *Cherry Knight* to finish first and second, beating Kentucky Derby winner *Sea Hero* and Belmont Stakes winner *Colonial Affair*. This marked the fifth time in as many years that an Ontario-bred has won this important event.
- ❑ In 1993 *Vice Regent* was the fifth leading broodmare sire in North America with \$5,423,265 in progeny earnings. *Bold Ruckus* was the 14th leading sire in North America with \$2,977,068 in progeny earnings.
- ❑ The premier Thoroughbred yearling sale in Canada, the Canadian Breeders Sales, showed significant gains over previous years with a 16.5 percent increase. The average price of the top 50 Ontario Sires Stakes eligible yearlings increased 5.7%. In 1993 Queen's Plate, 7 of the 11 starters were sales graduates, including the first three finishers.

Allocation of Funds to Thoroughbred Stakes Races

Allocation of Funds to the Incentive Program

Stakes Supplements

7 Canadian-bred Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes @ \$45,000 - 75,000	\$465,000
Fury Stakes	Maple Leaf Stakes
Shady Well Stakes	Wonder Where Stakes
Bison City Stakes	Princess Elizabeth Stakes
Belle Mahone Stakes	
12 Open Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes @ \$30,000 - 55,000	\$485,000
Whimsical Stakes	Nassau Stakes
Star Shoot Stakes	Natalma Stakes
Seaway Stakes	Canadian Stakes
Selene Stakes	My Dear Stakes
Duchess Stakes	Mazarine Stakes
Hendrie Handicap	Tattling Stakes
8 Canadian-bred Colt Stakes @ \$40,000 - 75,000	\$435,000
Jacques Cartier Stakes	Plate Trial Stakes
Achievement Stakes	Clarendon Stakes
Queenston Stakes	Vandal Stakes
Connaught Cup Stakes	Seagram Cup Stakes
Canadian Oaks	\$60,000
E. P. Taylor Stakes	\$100,000

Ontario Sires Stakes

11 Stakes for O.S.S. eligible horses @ \$68,000	\$7480,000
Victoriana Stakes	Bunty Lawless Stakes
Nandi Stakes	Sir Barton Stakes
Shepperton Stakes	Kingarvie Stakes
Bull Page Stakes	Lady Angela Stakes
La Prevoyante Stakes	New Providence Stakes
The Minstrel Stakes	

Ontario Breeders' Improvement Stakes

3 Canadian-bred Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes @ \$70,000	\$210,000
Ontario Damsel Stakes	
Ontario Lassie Stakes	
Ontario Fashion Stakes	
3 Open Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes @ \$70,000 - 75,000	\$220,000
Ontario Matron Stakes	
Ontario Debutante Stakes	
Ontario Colleen Stakes	

Filly Stakes

2 Two-Year-Old Stakes	\$100,000
Franfreluche Stakes (Canadian) @ \$70,000	
Glorious Song (Open) @ \$30,000	
1 Three-Year-Old Stakes	\$70,000
Jammed Lovely Stakes @ \$70,000	

Sales Stakes

6 Yearling Sales Stakes for Canadian-breds @ \$80,000 - \$85,000	
Muskoka Stakes	Algoma
Simcoe Stakes	Halton Stakes
Elgin Stakes	Kenora Stakes
Juvenile Stakes (CTHS Two Year Old in Training Sales Stakes - Colt & Filly Divisions)	\$50,000
	\$77,983

Canadian-bred Promotion Program

Total Allocation of Funds to the Incentive Program	\$3,520,983
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1993 Thoroughbred Incentive Program by Division

	Number of Races	Div.	Track Added Added \$	Government Added Added \$	Total \$
Ontario Sires Stakes (not including entry fees)					
2 y/o	2	2	49,000	136,000	185,000
2 y/o Fillies	1	1	32,000	68,000	100,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	32,000	68,000	100,000
3 y/o Fillies	2	2	64,000	136,000	200,000
3 y/o Colts And Geldings	1	1	17,000	68,000	85,000
3 y/o & Upwards	3	3	81,000	204,000	285,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	1	1	32,000	68,000	100,000
Total Ontario Sires Stakes	11	11	307,000	748,000	1,055,000
Canadian-bred Stakes					
2 y/o	2	2	50,000	100,000	150,000
2 y/o Fillies	5	5	95,000	375,000	470,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	15,000	85,000	100,000
3 y/o	3	5	105,000	195,000	300,000
3 y/o Fillies	6	7	240,000	395,000	635,000
3 y/o & Upwards	4	4	110,000	290,000	400,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	4	4	115,000	270,000	385,000
4 y/o & Upwards	2	2	100,000	100,000	200,000
Total Canadian-bred Stakes	27	28	830,000	1,810,000	2,640,000
Supplemental Stakes					
2 y/o Fillies	6	7	165,000	280,000	445,000
2 y/o Colts	1	1	25,000	25,000	50,000
3 y/o Fillies	4	4	145,000	175,000	320,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	4	4	315,000	210,000	525,000
4 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	4	4	120,000	195,000	315,000
Total Supplemental Stakes	19	20	770,000	885,000	1,655,000
Total Racing Incentive Program	57	59	1,907,000	3,443,000	5,350,000

Supplemental Purse Grant Assistance To Overnight Events

1993 Breakdown

	Wagering \$ 1992	% of Wagering	1993 Overnight Purse Supplement \$
Woodbine	330,314,155	64.50%	8,215,627
Greenwood	113,313,447	22.12%	
Fort Erie	68,470,447	13.38%	
	512,098,049	100.00%	8,215,627

1971 through 1993

Year	Amount
1971	774,168
1972	630,322
1973	747,010
1974	1,104,420
1975	1,233,638
1976	1,406,100
1977	1,509,450
1978	1,581,500
1979	1,674,750
1980	1,678,900
1981	1,969,080
1982	4,282,700
1983	4,861,000
1984	4,956,900
1985	5,298,200
1986	5,404,962
1987	5,925,281
1988	6,681,338
1989	7,266,325
1990	7,940,730
1991	8,425,833
1992	8,158,351
1993	8,215,627

Ontario Sires Stakes

The Ontario Sires Stakes are a series of ten races restricted to progeny of stallions standing in the Province of Ontario and registered with the program at the Ontario Racing Commission. The stallion must also be owned or leased by an Ontario resident. A popular bonus of this program is that although you must breed to an Ontario stallion, the foal does not have to be Canadian-bred to run in these races. This benefits the stallion owner by attracting out-of-province mares because regardless of where the foal is dropped, it is eligible to these races.

Breakdown of the 1993 Thoroughbred Ontario Sires Stakes

Date	Ontario Sires Stakes	Track Money Added	Gov't Money Added	Starting Fees	Total Purse
May 8	3 Y/O Fillies <i>Lady Angela Stakes</i>	\$32,000	\$68,000	\$5,000	\$105,000
May 22	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>New Providence Stakes</i>	32,000	68,000	6,000	106,000
July 10	2 Y/O Fillies <i>Nandi Stakes</i>	32,000	68,000	9,000	109,000
July 12	3 Y/O & Upwards Fillies & Mares <i>Victoriana Stakes</i>	32,000	68,000	12,000	112,000
Aug. 7	2 Y/O Colts & Geldings <i>Bull Page Stakes</i>	32,000	68,000	6,000	106,000
Aug. 8	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>Shepperton Stakes</i>	32,000	68,000	8,000	108,000
Oct. 9	3 Y/O Fillies <i>La Prevoyante Stakes</i>	32,000	68,000	7,000	107,000
Oct. 11	2 Y/O <i>The Minstrel Stakes</i>	32,000	68,000	11,000	111,000
Oct. 23	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>Bunt Lawless Stakes</i>	17,000	68,000	7,650	92,650
Nov. 21	3 Y/O Colts & Geldings <i>Sir Barton Stakes</i>	17,000	68,000	8,500	93,500
Nov. 28	2 Y/O <i>Kingarvie Stakes</i>	17,000	68,000	4,250	89,250
Total		\$307,000	\$748,000	\$84,400	1,139,400

Thoroughbred Stallions

Stallions Registered For Ontario Sires Stakes Program

	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
Thoroughbred	117	99	93	81	69

Ontario Sires Stakes – Year End Statistics

Leading Stallions

Bold Ruckus	\$233,767
Regal Classic	147,930
No Louder	98,390
Geiger Counter	94,110
Vice Regent	73,950
Great Gladiator	69,184
Silver Deputy	68,355
Commemorate	67,200
Cool Victor	66,340
Steady Growth	56,550
Key To The Moon	55,590
Ascot Knight	35,657
Mythical Ruler	22,400
Secret Charm	21,800
Brave Shot (GB)	16,177
Buckley Boy	6,390
Cognizant	5,610
	\$1,139,400

Leading Owners

Mr. & Mrs. D. G. McClelland	\$151,650
Sam-Son Famr	100,200
Kingsbrook Farm	69,900
Eaton Hall Farm	65,400
J.B.S. Racing Stable	64,800
Summerhill Farms	64,200
J. Schmid	63,600
Lady Slipper Farm	63,000
D.M. Firestone	55,590
Hamner Kopf Farm, J. Corrente & Partner	53,550
Bruno Schickedanz	46,040
Theodore F. Burnett	36,770
P.E.L. Racing Stable	26,369
M. Canino	24,090
Knob Hill Stable	23,540
Trysub Stable and Chimo Stable	22,400
F. Stronach	21,945
Pedigree Farm	21,850
M. Hayward, J. Sharman and T. Catsaris	21,800
J. Sikura and Partner	21,400
F.C.C.C. Racing Stable	21,000
Little Fish Farms	18,530
Arthur I. Appleton	11,550
C.M. Stubbs	9,660
K.K. Jayaraman & V. Jayaraman	6,720
Peter DiPasquale	6,540
A.W. Minshall	6,420
Pinejoy Stable	6,360
Diagalog Farm & E. Winkelmann	5,610
Diplomat Stable and Partner	5,559
Regency Stable	5,355
R. Baker	3,330
Ron Gierkink and Michelle Bonte	3,210
R.M.C. Stable	3,180
G. Panza	2,805
Steve Wong	2,780
R. and P. D'Andrea	2,677
	\$1,139,400

Yearling Sales Statistics

As a major indicator of the health of the industry, statistics on sales ring activity can be used to gauge business trends and the effect of the improvement program funds. The increase in value of the Thoroughbred stakes program as a result of the government rebate program has had the effect of improving the pedigrees of Canadian-bred and Ontario-sired horses which in turn improves their marketability and performance in the sales.

Canadian Breeders Sales

Canadian Breeders Sales, the province's major Thoroughbred sales company, benefits from the improvement program through six stakes restricted to sales graduates. This promotes the sale and increases the earning potential of horses that pass through the sales ring.

Yearling Sales Statistics

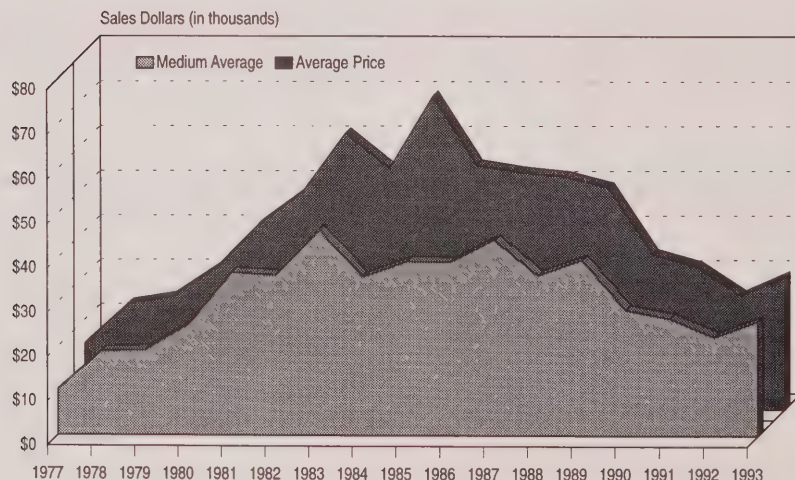
September Yearling Sale - Selected Canadian-breds

Year	Sold	Gross	Average	% Change from Prior Year	Median	Median Average*
1977	219	3,200,000	14,612			10,398
1978	179	4,219,300	23,572	61.3%		18,940
1979	182	4,582,400	25,178	6.8%		19,234
1980	202	6,389,000	31,629	25.6%		25,033
1981	231	9,598,700	41,553	31.4%		36,714
1982	233	11,358,500	48,749	17.3%		36,120
1983	218	13,499,000	61,922	27.0%	40,000	46,259
1984	211	11,424,500	54,145	-12.6%	25,000	35,716
1985	189	13,273,000	70,228	29.7%	33,000	39,179
1986	201	11,032,000	54,886	-21.8%	35,000	39,062
1987	233	12,418,000	53,296	-2.9%	37,000	44,120
1988	206	10,785,500	52,357	-1.8%	30,000	36,051
1989	216	10,760,000	49,815	-4.9%	35,000	39,586
1990	183	6,383,000	34,880	-29.9%	25,000	28,286
1991	138	4,424,700	32,063	-8.1%	23,000	26,400
1992	154	3,948,900	25,642	-20.0%	20,000	22,257
1993	149	4,452,500	29,883	16.5%	23,000	25,790

* Median Average = median price excluding the top 10% and the bottom 10%

Yearling Sales Averages

September Yearling Sale



September Yearling Sale - Selected Canadian-breds

Year	Top 50 Sold		Top 50 Ontario-Sired	
	Sales \$	Average	Sales \$	Average
1977	1,902,500	38,050	885,700	17,714
1978	2,671,000	53,420	1,621,000	32,420
1979	2,840,500	56,810	1,855,000	36,700
1980	4,015,000	80,300	2,818,000	56,360
1981	5,123,000	102,460	3,391,000	67,820
1982	5,930,000	118,600	3,440,000	68,800
1983	7,906,000	158,120	3,792,000	75,840
1984	7,462,000	149,240	2,856,000	57,120
1985	9,571,000	191,420	2,408,000	48,160
1986	6,823,000	136,460	3,134,000	62,680
1987	6,395,000	127,900	3,617,000	72,340
1988	6,709,000	134,180	2,632,000	52,640
1989	5,771,000	115,420	3,124,000	62,480
1990	3,749,000	74,980	1,724,000	34,480
1991	3,057,000	61,140	1,590,500	31,810
1992	2,501,500	50,030	1,728,500	34,570
1993	2,687,000	53,740	1,827,500	36,550

Performance of Ontario Sires

1993 September Yearling Sale

Stallion	Stud Fee	No. Sold	Total
Ascot Knight	6,500	6	203,000
Bold Executive	3,500	1	6,500
Bold Ruckus	15,000	12	516,000
Brave Shot (GB)	4,000	6	141,500
Briartic	6,000	1	10,000
Charlie Barley	7,500	4	79,000
Cool Victor	2,500	2	40,000
Country Light	3,500	1	13,000
Dauphin Fabuleux	3,000	3	31,500
Damasca Dan	2,000	1	32,000
Geiger Counter	5,000	8	261,000
Great Gladiator	7,500	2	40,500
Mythical Ruler	5,000	3	74,000
Regal Classic	12,500	6	117,000
Regal Intention	10,000	4	72,000
Same Direction	4,000	1	10,000
Silver Deputy	2,500	8	250,000
Steady Growth	4,000	6	137,000
Varick	5,000	1	8,500
Vice Regent	50,000	1	75,000
Average Stud Fee:	\$7,950		
No. Sold:	77		
Total Sales:	\$2,117,500		
Average:	\$27,526		

Highest Prices at the September Yearling Sale

Yearlings which sold for \$75,000 and more

\$145,000	Ro.c. by Affirmed - Sharpening Up, By Sharpen Up (GB), (consigned by Schonberg Farm, agent for Gustav Schickedanz) - bought by Frank Stronach
\$140,000	Gr.c. by Runaway Groom - Broadway Beauty, by Chompion (consigned by Michal C. Byrne, agent for Park Stud Inc.) - bought by Dan O'Callaghan, agent
\$125,000	B.f.. by With Approval - Triple Wow, by Coastal (consigned by Anderson Farms, agent) - bought by Kingsbrook Farm
\$ 85,000	B.c. by Deputy Minister - Inside Line, by Slew O'Gold (consigned by Windfields Farm) - bought by Gabriel Dixon, agent
\$ 85,000	Dk.b./Br.c. by Silver Deputy - Low Mintage, by Dom Alaric (Fr) (consigned by Paul Bates and Tom Webb, agents) - bought by Double B Racing
\$ 75,000	B.f. by Vice Regent - Noble Chick, by Vaguely Noble (consigned by Paul Bates and Tom Webb, agents) - bought by Sam-Son Farm
\$ 75,000	Ch.c. by Bold Ruckus - Periphery, by Vice Regent (consigned by Schonberg Farm, agent for Gustav Schickedanz) - bought by Sideral Stable
\$ 75,000	Dk.b./br.c. by Silver Deputy - Prococurant, by Nain Bleu (Fr) (consigned by Anderson Farms, agent) - bought by Charles E. Harris

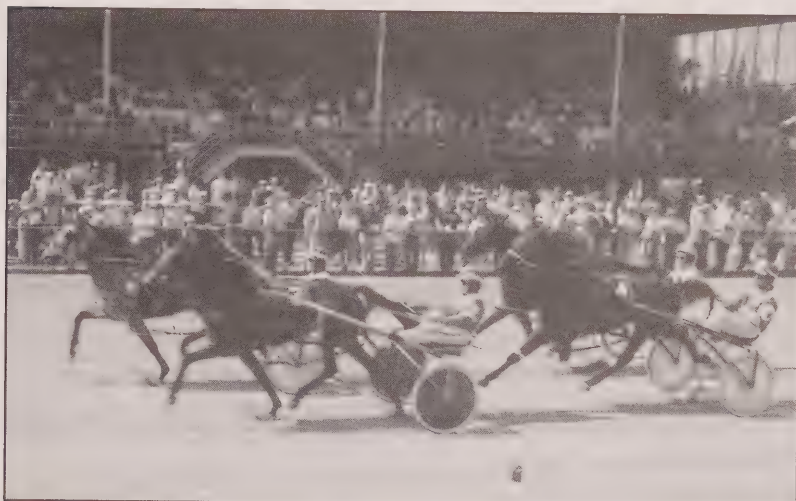
Horses Purchased by Out-Of-Province Buyers

In 1993 the number of horses purchased by out-of-province buyers from the October Breeding Sale, October Yearling Sale and September Yearling Sale in Toronto was 84, for a total value of \$1,825,600.

The sustained support of foreign buyers indicates the attractiveness of the "made in Canada" product.

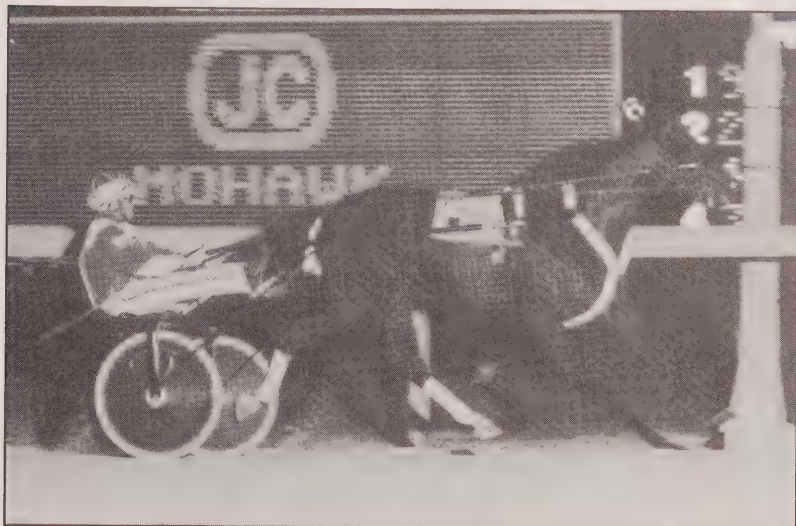
	Total	
	No. Sold	\$ Value
Canada (outside Ontario)	9	123,900
United States	72	1,623,200
Overseas	3	78,500
Total	84	1,825,600

Standardbred Improvement Programs



Summer racing at Clinton Raceway

Photo: Gerald Millar



The top three-year-old filly trotter in 1993 was Ambro Luxury with Ontario Sires Stakes earnings of \$264,363 and total season's earnings of \$462,168.

Photo: Brian Smiley

1993 Standardbred Improvement Program

Allocation of Standardbred Improvement Program Funds

Live Standardbred Wagering	\$548,069,268	
Net Intertrack Wagering	9,415,808	
Total 1992 Standardbred Wagering - Supervised Tracks		\$557,485,076
Provincial Rebate (2% of wagering handle)		\$11,149,701
Less: 1.5% of Rebate for Equine Research and Wellness Assurance Fund		(167,245)
Balance		10,982,456
Add: Triactor Rebate		3,026,501
Balance available for Improvement Program including Triactor Rebate		\$14,008,957
Overnight Purse Supplements (59%)	\$8,265,285	
1993 Racing and Breeding Incentives (41%)	\$5,743,672	
Less: Trillium Series	(410,000)	
Publicity and Promotion Budget	(380,000)	
Balance Available for the Ontario Sires Stakes	\$4,953,672	

Overnight Purse Supplements

Grants To Increase Purses Other Than Stakes Races

Track	Total 1993 Overnight Purse Supplements
CLASS I	
Ontario Jockey Club	\$3,919,118
Windsor	965,479
CLASS II	
Flamboro Downs	765,431
Rideau Carleton	382,145
CLASS III	
Western Fair	481,946
Barrie	292,410
Orangeville	290,518
Elmira	197,122
Hiawatha	192,330
Sudbury Downs	122,796
Kawartha Downs	159,054
Kingston Park	128,328
CLASS IV	
Dresden	99,343
Woodstock	85,739
Belleville	60,976
Hanover	74,966
Clinton	31,787
Goderich	15,797
TOTAL	\$8,265,285

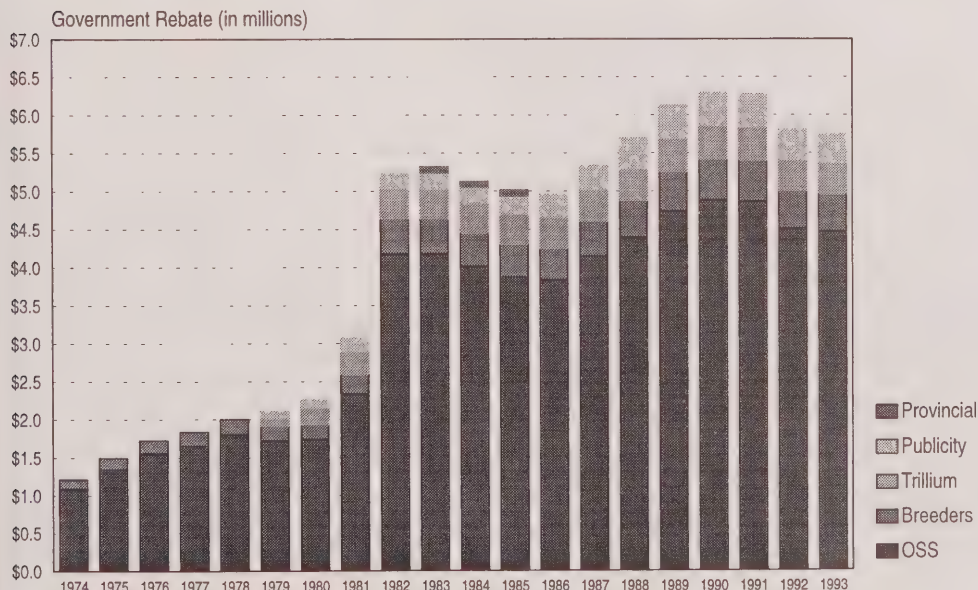
1971 through 1993

Year	Amount
1971	\$1,175,877
1972	1,031,003
1973	1,266,493
1974	1,266,493
1975	1,497,391
1976	1,724,750
1977	1,839,250
1978	2,000,000
1979	2,108,000
1980	2,256,000
1981	4,602,000
1982	6,362,000
1983	7,174,000
1984	7,377,200
1985	7,254,650
1986	7,007,561
1987	7,550,792
1988	8,192,437
1989	8,812,878
1990	9,015,932
1991	9,026,491
1992	8,347,375
1993	8,265,285

Racing and Breeding Incentives - 1974 to present

Year	Ontario Sires Stakes Races	Breeders' Awards	Publicity and Promotion Budget	Trillium Series	Interprovincial Series	Total Incentives Program Funds
1974	1,091,156	121,240				1,212,396
1975	1,347,652	149,739				1,497,391
1976	1,552,275	172,475				1,724,750
1977	1,655,325	183,925				1,839,250
1978	1,800,000	200,000				2,000,000
1979	1,721,700	191,300	89,600	105,400		2,108,000
1980	1,737,900	193,100	100,000	225,000		2,256,000
1981	2,332,128	259,072	170,000	306,800		3,068,000
1982	4,175,120	463,880	192,000	400,000		5,231,000
1983	4,173,800	463,700	210,000	400,000	75,000	5,322,500
1984	4,006,000	445,100	200,000	400,000	75,000	5,126,100
1985	3,873,818	430,432	235,000	400,000	75,000	5,014,250
1986	3,828,990	425,416	300,000	400,000		4,954,406
1987	4,144,861	460,520	315,000	420,000		5,340,381
1988	4,385,751	487,304	400,000	420,000		5,693,055
1989	4,728,784	525,420	430,000	440,000		6,124,204
1990	4,878,293	542,032	430,000	440,000		6,290,325
1991	4,862,382	540,265	430,000	440,000		6,272,647
1992	4,500,634	500,084	390,000	410,000		5,800,718
1993	4,458,312	495,360	380,000	410,000		5,743,672

Racing and Breeding Incentives



Trillium Series

The Trillium Series is a program of five pacing races and five trotting races for two-year-old fillies. In 1993 the Series was contested for a total of \$754,243 in purses.

Restricted to fillies which are at least 75% owned by Ontario residents, the program was designed to encourage the purchase of well-bred fillies which would eventually enter the broodmare ranks in the province.

Fillies Nominated and Sustained

	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
No. of Fillies Nominated					
Fillies	511	541	533	483	483
No. Of Fillies Sustained					
Pacers	276	291	282	265	259
Trotters	127	114	145	110	148

1993 Trillium Series For Ontario-owned Fillies

Leading Money Winners - Final Statistics

Horse	Owner	Trillium Earnings	Total 2 YO Earnings
Two Year Old Filly Pacers			
Hardie Hanover (Big Towner)	J. Burns, K. Waples, J. Ferguson and Martwest Racing Stable	\$44,146	\$253,088
Queens Arms (Armbro Emerson)	David Snowden	27,307	91,217
Heatherjeankilean (Run The Table)	A. Holmes, L. Ainsworth and Martwest Racing Stable	25,245	297,497
Hotgeorgianite (Dragons Lair)	Banjo Farms	21,713	26,233
Scrambled (Abercrombie)	Street Fighters Stable and Tony Aarts	21,084	35,859
Two Year Old Filly Trotters			
Evita Seelster (Baltic Speed)	Russell Bax and Mary Bax	\$62,818	\$105,612
Jailhouse Rock (Balanced Image)	George C. Lund Stables	28,456	296,373
Armbro Monarch (Valley Victory)	Norman Vartanian and Isabelle Vartanian	28,176	441,071
Bobbin (Royal Prestige)	Eric Baker	22,979	65,774
Tanya Seelster (Worthy Bowl)	T. Jacobs, V. Leo, Four Stud Stables and W. McMullan	22,501	216,740

FASTEST MILES

Category	Year	Horse	Time	Track
1/2 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1992	Incredible Way	1:56.4	Flamboro
		Lady Is A Pro		
Trot:	1993	Armbro Monarch	2:02.0	Western Fair
5/8 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1993	Hardie Hanover	1:54.4	Windsor
Trot:	1987	Cosmic Storm	1:59.1	Windsor

Ontario Sires Stakes - Standardbred Stallions

The foundation of the Ontario Sires Stakes program is the stallions registered with the Ontario Racing Commission. To be eligible to the program the stallion must be owned by an Ontario resident or leased to an Ontario resident for a period of not less than 5 years. Any foals resulting from a breeding to a registered stallion are eligible for nomination to the Ontario Sires Stakes.

Stallions Registered in the Ontario Sires Stakes Program

	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
No. of Stallions	345	317	291	190	158

Leading Standardbred Stallions

	# of O.S.S. Starters	Starters' Earnings
Pacing Stallions		
Run The Table	82	\$1,325,819
Threefold	49	594,425
Armbro Emerson	43	540,046
Dexter Nukes	27	286,856
Coal Harbor	26	183,437
Trotting Stallions		
Balanced Image	59	\$1,246,974
Dream Of Glory	41	730,990
Worthy Bowl	24	505,474
Brisco Hanover	7	381,334
A Go Go Lauxmont	27	211,806



Balanced Image



Run The Table

Leading Ontario Sires Stakes Stallions of Two-Year-Olds

Stallion	No. of Starters	No. of Winners	No. of Wins		Fastest Win		Starters' Earnings	Largest Winner
			1/2	5/8	1/2	5/8		
Two Year Old Colt Pacers								
Run The Table	16	5	4	6	1:57.0	1:56.1	\$276,216	Treecoscius (\$158,428)
Dexter Nukes	13	4	3	4	1:57.1	1:57.0	\$192,325	Delayed Decision (\$67,656)
Bomb Rickles	2	1	1	4	1:56.1	1:55.2	\$126,072	C B Flight (\$124,315)
Threefold	14	6	3	3	2:00.1	1:59.1	\$91,588	Collin or Foldin (\$22,945)
Armbro Emerson	8	1	1		2:01.1		\$79,680	Fun Bunch (\$34,339)
Two Year Old Filly Pacers								
Run The Table	20	7	12	4	1:58.4	1:57.2	\$409,167	Heatherjeankilleen (\$250,739)
Threefold	9	3	3	3	1:59.3	1:57.3	\$106,047	Sentra Seelster (\$64,947)
Dexter Nukes	14	1	1		2:05.1		\$94,504	Hornby Connie (\$29,309)
Castleton Success	5	2	3		1:59.2		\$87,595	Harem Success (\$54,020)
General Star	1	1	2		1:59.1		\$77,585	No More Promises (\$77,585)
Two Year Old Colt Trotters								
Balanced Image	15	9	11	6	1:59.3	2:00.4	\$401,101	Armbro Marshall (\$81,780)
Worthy Bowl	9	2	2	1	2:07.2	2:02.3	\$193,609	Hornby Addison (\$92,508)
Veeba Rova	1	1	2	1	2:00.3	1:58.1	\$114,971	Airies Canada (\$114,971)
A Go Go Lauxmont	9	2	2		2:04.1		\$109,955	Gomont (\$56,259)
Dream Of Glory	8	1	1		2:06.1		\$38,232	Vondas Glory (\$16,918)
Two Year Old Filly Trotters								
Balanced Image	11	5	2	7	2:04.3	2:00.0	\$300,853	Your Imagination (\$90,142)
Worthy Bowl	7	4	3	7	2:05.1	2:00.2	\$298,628	Tanya Seelster (\$153,253)
Dream Of Glory	10	2	1	1	2:07.1	2:01.3	\$103,122	Shipps Treasure (\$27,226)
Orbell G G	3	1	1	1	2:06.4	2:03.1	\$91,906	Hams Delight (\$71,983)
A Go Go Lauxmont	8	2	3		2:08.0		\$68,402	Go To The Top (\$39,381)

Leading Ontario Sires Stakes Stallions of Three-Year-Olds

Stallion	No. of Starters	No. of Winners	No. of Wins		Fastest Win		Starters' Earnings	Largest Winner
			1/2	5/8	1/2	5/8		
Three Year Old Colt Pacers								
Threefold	14	3	3	7	1:57.3	1:53.0	\$261,401	Ruthless Killer (\$124,860)
Run The Table	22	6	4	3	1:58.0	1:53.0	\$231,983	Rakland Run (\$93,443)
Armbro Emerson	14	7	9	6	1:57.0	1:54.4	\$231,491	Quick Challenge (\$71,453)
Coal Harbor	9	1	2	2	1:56.2	1:54.0	\$87,234	Cedar Shake (\$81,875)
Happy Motoring	1	1	1		1:57.3		\$47,609	Duke of Motoring (\$47,609)
Three Year Old Filly Pacers								
Run The Table	24	8	11	5	1:58.3	1:54.3	\$408,371	Tawnee Herbert (\$123,932)
Armbro Emerson	16	2	3	1	1:54.1	1:57.1	\$152,359	Classic Wish (\$121,549)
Viking Tiger	1	1		5		1:54.1	\$140,142	Jo Car Lyn (\$140,142)
Threefold	12	6	6	1	1:57.0	1:54.4	\$135,340	J N Chrysalis (\$40,636)
Coal Harbor	9	2	2		2:00.2		\$41,382	Warrawee Millin (\$16,594)
Three Year Old Colt Trotters								
Brisco Hanover	3	2	2	7	1:59.1	1:57.2	\$321,494	Hay Dude (\$201,749)
Balanced Image	17	4	3	4	2:02.4	1:56.0	\$281,967	Armbro Leader (\$156,628)
Dream Of Glory	12	3	1	2	2:07.1	1:58.4	\$154,296	Oaklea Bluejay (\$71,204)
Condominium	1	1	1		2:01.3		\$55,930	Devils Virtue (\$55,930)
Jazz Cosmos	4	2	1	1	2:04.4	1:59.4	\$28,512	Musical Pride (\$10,870)
Three Year Old Filly Trotters								
Dream Of Glory	11	3	4	6	2:00.0	1:59.0	\$435,299	Armbro Luxury (\$264,363)
Balanced Image	16	6	6	6	1:59.3	2:00.3	\$262,994	Ken Col Maggie (\$74,532)
Brisco Hanover	4	2	1	1	2:03.4	2:01.3	\$59,833	Free Kitten (\$23,920)
Orbell G G	1						\$49,764	Wheeling Jacoba (\$49,764)
N V Worthy	1						\$37,087	N V Worthy Girl (37,087)

Ontario Sires Stakes

The Ontario Sires Stakes program was established in 1974 and consists of a series of races for two and three year old trotters and pacers. The program was designed to improve the Ontario Standardbred by providing incentives for breeders and owners to invest their capital in an Ontario product.

Eligibility to the Ontario Sires Stakes is restricted to progeny of stallions standing in the province and registered with the Ontario Racing Commission. Yearlings must then be nominated by May 15th of their yearling year and sustained to race either as two-year-olds or three-year-olds. Nominating and sustaining fees are collected and then distributed together with the Improvement Program Funds in the form of purses.

Horses Nominated and Sustained

No. of Horses Nominated

Year	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
O.S.S. Number	#18	#19	#20	#21	#22
Colts	1365	1200	1177	1052	921
Fillies	1207	1116	1122	1050	906
Total	2572	2316	2299	2102	1827

No. of Horses Sustained

O.S.S. Number	#16	#17	#17	#18	#18	#19	#19	#20	#20	#21
Colts	462	663	481	670	533	662	421	662	482	603
Fillies	443	551	459	580	504	573	475	565	404	556
Total	905	1214	940	1250	1037	1235	896	1227	886	1159

Ontario Sires Stakes – Race Records

Ontario Sires Stakes Race Records (1974–1993)

with World Record Comparisons

Canadian Sires Bakes Race Records (1974-1993)					World Record		1974 O.S.S. Records	
Category	Year	Horse	Time	Track	Horse	Time	Horse	Time
1/2 Mile Tracks								
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1989	Mystery Fund	1:56.0	Barrie	Falcon Seelster	1:51.0	Terry Parker	2:04.1
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1993	Classic Wish	1:54.1	Flamboro Downs	Towners Image	1:52.3	Merrywood Sara	2:03.0
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1993	Hay Dude	1:59.1	Flamboro Downs	American Winner	1:56.2	Dart Camp	2:08.3
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1986	Nadirs Pride	1:59.1	Dresden	Peace Corps	1:56.0	Shoein	2:08.0
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1993	C B Flight	1:56.1	Western Fair	Tooter Scooter/W R H/Easter Sun Hanna	1:54.1	Hotspurs Honour	2:07.3
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1993	Heatherjeankilleen	1:58.4	Flamboro Downs	L Dee's Trish/Dawn Q	1:55.4	Western Kate	2:08.0
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1993	Ambro Marshall	1:59.3	Barrie	Royal Troubador/Airies Canada	1:58.1	Oakhurst Sargent	2:10.1
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1992	Suspicious Image	2:02.2	Western Fair	Lizzie Lee Brook / Kindava Hush	1:59.0	Shawland Belle	2:09.1
5/8 Mile Tracks								
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1993	Showmanship	1:52.4	Windsor	Riyadh	1:50.1	Ambro Odyssey	2:02.3
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1993	Jo Car Lyn	1:54.1	Greenwood	Miss Easy	1:52.2	Merrywood Sara	2:01.0
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1993	Ambro Leader	1:56.0	Windsor	Mack Lobell	1:54.1	Dart Camp	2:05.1
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1986	Nadirs Pride	1:57.1	Kawartha Downs	Expressway Hanover	1:55.4	Mia Herbert	2:05.3
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1989	Apaches Fame	1:54.1	Windsor	Artsplace	1:51.1	Pat's Bye Bye	2:05.0
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1993	Heatherjeankilleen	1:57.2	Windsor	Central Park West/Hardie Hanover	1:53.3	Epiphany	2:05.4
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1993	Airies Canada	1:58.1	Greenwood	King Couch	1:56.2	Delvin Herbert	2:07.0
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1992	Suspicious Image	1:59.3	Greenwood	Peace Corps	1:57.1	Shawland Belle	2:09.3

Divisional Leading Money Winners

		Ontario Sires Stakes Earnings	Total 1993 Earnings	Lifetime Record
Three Year Old Colt Pace	Ruthless Killer (Threefold)	\$124,860	\$156,815	1:53.0F
	Such Sparkle (Threefold)	94,542	149,217	1:53.4F
	Rakland Run (Run The Table)	93,443	106,862	1:53.0F
	Cedar Shake (Coal Harbor)	81,875	98,880	1:53.4F
	Quick Challenge (Armbro Emerson)	71,453	114,861	1:54.4F
Three Year Old Filly Pace	Jo Car Lyn (Viking Tiger)	\$140,142	\$154,227	1:54.1F
	Tawnee Herbert (Run The Table)	123,932	150,462	T1:53.2M
	Classic Wish (Armbro Emerson)	121,549	210,753	T1:53.0M
	Reef The Table (Run The Table)	110,604	177,247	1:57.3F
	Four Queens (Run The Table)	92,399	111,806	1:55.3F
Three Year Old Colt Trot	Hay Dude (Brisco Hanover)	\$201,749	\$273,177	1:57.2F
	Armbro Leader (Balanced Image)	156,628	313,596	1:56.0F
	Twin B Brisk (Brisco Hanover)	109,446	126,871	1:57.4F
	Oaklea Bluejay (Dream Of Glory)	71,204	138,422	1:59.1F
	Devils Virtue (Condominium)	55,930	71,785	2:00.2F
Three Year Old Filly Trot	Armbro Luxury (Dream Of Glory)	\$264,363	\$462,168	1:55.4M
	Armbro Lantern (Dream Of Glory)	109,782	164,361	1:59.2F
	Ken Col Maggie (Balanced Image)	74,532	82,737	2:00.3F
	La Goddess (Balanced Image)	60,772	77,196	1:59.3H
	Wheeling Jacoba (Orbel G G)	49,764	52,679	2:01.2H
Two Year Old Colt Pace	Treecoscius (Run The Table)	\$158,428	\$187,306	1:56.1F
	C B Flight (Bomb Rickles)	124,315	135,465	1:55.2F
	Delayed Decision (Dexter Nukes)	67,656	133,010	1:55.3F
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	Daylon Marshal (Run The Table)	57,849	58,854	1:58.4H
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	Sentra Seelster (Threefold)	64,947	66,069	1:57.3F
	Queens Arms (Armbro Emerson)	59,145	91,217	1:57.4F
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	Hornby Addison (Worthy Bowl)	92,508	108,545	2:02.3F
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	Chelemark Nick (Worthy Bowl)	71,038	84,763	
Two Year Old Filly Trot	Tanya Seelster (Worthy Bowl)	\$153,253	\$216,740	2:00.2F
	Patrice Seelster (Worthy Bowl)	99,876	110,754	2:01.3F
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Summary of the 1993 Racing Program

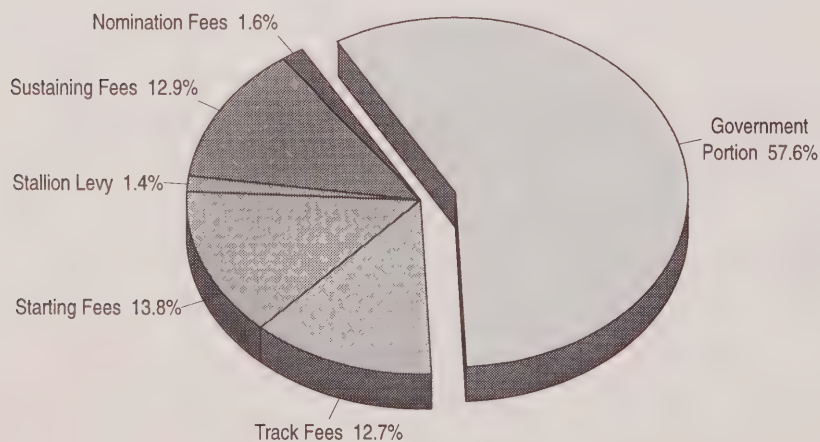
	No. of Races		No. of Divisions			Nominating Fees	Sustaining Fees	Start Fees	Track Fees
	Gold	GR	Gold	CH	GR				
OSS 20 – Three Year Old Program									
3 Y/O Colt Pace	5	5	20	26	51	14,931.25	187,200.00	148,320.00	127,500.00
3 Y/O Filly Pace	5	5	16	22	43	14,931.25	159,000.00	140,460.00	127,500.00
3 Y/O Colt Trot	5	3	13	9	27	14,931.26	102,000.00	123,480.00	117,500.00
3 Y/O Filly Trot	5	3	14	5	24	14,931.26	83,400.00	127,040.00	117,500.00
Total	20	16	63	62	145	59,725.02	531,600.00	539,300.00	490,000.00
OSS 21 – Two Year Old Program									
2 Y/O Colt Pace	5	5	21	19	45	15,331.25	165,200.00	146,180.00	127,500.00
2 Y/O Filly Pace	5	5	21	19	45	15,331.25	146,000.00	137,470.00	127,500.00
2 Y/O Colt Trot	5	3	15	7	27	15,326.31	76,000.00	122,220.00	117,500.00
2 Y/O Filly Trot	5	3	15	6	26	15,331.26	76,400.00	119,470.00	117,500.00
Total	20	16	72	51	143	61,320.07	463,600.00	525,340.00	490,000.00
Total OSS 20 & OSS 21	40	32	135	113	288	121,045.09	995,200.00	1,064,640.00	980,000.00
Trillium Series									
2 Y/O Filly Pace	5		16		16	30,360.50	77,700.00	54,790.00	51,000.00
2 Y/O Filly Trot	5		11		11	17,629.50	44,400.00	43,570.00	24,500.00
Total	10		27		27	48,300.00	122,100.00	98,360.00	75,500.00
Total Racing Program	50	32	162		315	169,345.09	1,117,300.00	1,163,000.00	1,055,500.00
Future Program									
OSS 21									
1/2 1992 Yearling Nominations						61,325.00			
OSS 22									
1993 Yearling Nominations						95,400.00			
Program Grand Total	50	32	162	113	315	326,070.09	1,117,300.00	1,163,000.00	1,055,500.00

Government Grant (Net Breeders' Awards)	Stallion Levy to Grassroots	Gold	Purse Grassroots	Total	Breeder's Awards Gold Finals only	Total Program
557,268.70	15,769.05	841,115.00	209,874.00	1,050,989.00	61,920.00	1,112,909.00
557,259.20	13,393.55	810,676.00	201,868.00	1,012,544.00	61,920.00	1,074,464.00
556,227.65	8,592.09	810,090.00	112,641.00	922,731.00	61,920.00	984,651.00
557,278.43	7,025.31	797,056.00	110,119.00	907,175.00	61,920.00	969,095.00
2,228,033.98	44,780.00	3,258,937.00	634,502.00	3,893,439.00	247,680.00	4,141,119.00
557,261.30	23,935.45	820,482.00	214,926.00	1,035,408.00	61,920.00	1,097,328.00
557,263.15	21,153.60	797,717.00	207,001.00	1,004,718.00	61,920.00	1,066,638.00
557,282.22	11,011.47	786,745.00	112,595.00	899,340.00	61,920.00	961,260.00
557,285.31	11,069.43	783,453.00	113,603.00	897,056.00	61,920.00	958,976.00
2,229,091.98	67,169.95	3,188,397.00	648,125.00	3,836,522.00	247,680.00	4,084,202.00
4,457,125.96	111,949.95	6,447,334.00	1,282,627.00	7,729,961.00	495,360.00	8,225,321.00
204,993.50		419,154.00		419,154.00		419,154.00
204,989.50		335,089.00		335,089.00		335,089.00
409,983.00		754,243.00		754,243.00		754,243.00
4,867,108.96	111,949.95	7,201,577.00	1,282,627.00	8,484,204.00	495,360.00	8,979,564.00
						61,325.00
						95,400.00
4,867,108.96	111,949.95	7,201,577.00	1,282,627.00	8,484,204.00	495,360.00	9,136,289.00

Composition of Ontario Sires Stakes and Trillium Purses

	\$	%
Ontario Sires Stakes #20 & #21		
Total Nomination Fees	\$121,045.09	1.6%
Total Sustaining Fees	995,200.00	12.9%
Starting Fees	1,064,640.00	13.8%
Track Portion	980,000.00	12.7%
Stallion Levy (to Grassroot Series Purses)	111,949.95	1.4%
Government Portion of Purses	4,457,127.96	57.6%
Total Ontario Sires Stakes Purses	\$7,729,961.00	100.0%
Breeders' Awards	\$495,360.00	
Total Ontario Sires Stakes Program	\$8,225,321.01	
Trillium Series		
Total Nomination Fees	48,300.00	6.4%
Total Sustaining Fees	122,100.00	16.2%
Starting Fees	98,360.00	13.0%
Track Portion	75,500.00	10.0%
Government Portion of Purses	409,983.00	54.4%
Total Trillium Purses	\$754,243.00	100.0%
Total Standardbred Program	\$8,979,564.00	

Composition of Ontario Sires Stakes Purses



Yearling Sales Statistics

Canadian Classic Yearling Sale

Canadian Standardbred Horse Society

Year	Top 50 Sold		% change	Top 50 Ontario-sired		% change
	Sales \$	Average		Sales \$	Average	
1983	2,093,000	41,860	22.2%	1,761,500	35,230	9.2%
1984	1,665,000	33,300	-20.4%	1,489,500	29,790	-15.4%
1985	1,720,000	34,400	3.3%	1,659,000	33,180	11.4%
1986	2,002,000	40,040	16.4%	1,528,000	30,560	-7.9%
1987	2,164,000	43,280	8.1%	2,020,000	40,400	32.2%
1988	1,828,000	36,560	-15.5%	1,651,000	33,020	-18.3%
1989	1,515,000	30,300	-17.1%	1,383,000	27,660	-16.2%
1990	1,270,500	25,410	-16.1%	1,039,000	20,780	-24.8%
1991	1,389,500	27,790	9.4%	1,326,500	26,530	27.8%
1992	1,349,500	26,990	-2.8%	1,231,500	24,630	-7.1%
1993	1,464,000	29,280	8.5%	1,353,000	27,060	9.8%

Ontario Stallion Statistics

Canadian Classic Yearling Sale

Stallion	Stud Fee \$	No. Sold	Total \$	Average \$
A Go Go Lauxmont	2,500	3	14,200	4,733
Armbr Emerson	2,500	9	154,700	17,188
Armbr Omaha	2,500	4	56,700	14,175
Balanced Image	5,000	9	245,000	27,222
Brisco Hanover	3,500	2	43,000	21,500
Coal Harbor	2,000	3	18,100	6,033
Dallas Almahurst	1,000	1	6,000	6,000
Devils Adversary	1,250	1	9,000	9,000
Dexter Nukes	5,000	24	268,800	11,200
Dream Of Glory	4,000	23	375,500	16,326
Fundamentalist	2,000	3	22,000	7,333
Happy Paysak	1,500	4	21,900	5,475
Jonquil Hanover	2,000	1	5,000	5,000
Kawartha Skipper	1,000	3	9,800	3,266
Legal Notice	2,000	7	85,500	12,214
Merrilywerollalong	1,000	2	6,400	3,200
Peculiar	1,000	3	10,800	3,600
Ralph Hanover	2,000	9	52,400	5,822
Run The Table	4,000	25	438,700	17,548
Take A Look	2,000	1	4,000	4,000
Threefold	4,000	5	79,500	15,900
Topnotcher	3,000	20	190,100	9,505
Totally Ruthless	3,000	13	135,700	10,438
Worthy Bowl	4,000	24	396,000	16,500

Average Stud Fee:	\$2,572	No. Sold at Sale:	256
Average Sale Price:	\$13,310	Total Sales:	\$3,469,300

1993 Standardbred Improvement Program - Unsupervised Tracks

As part of the RacetracksTax Sharing Arrangement, two percent of the amount wagered at unsupervised tracks (fairs) is rebated by the province to the respective agricultural societies. These funds are used to enhance the level of purses distributed at the fairs where standardbred racing is conducted. The Ontario Racing Commission does not supervise the operation of fair racing.

1992 Standardbred Wagering - Unsupervised Tracks

	\$500,686
Provincial Rebate (2% of wagering handle)	\$10,014
Daily allocation based on 40 days of racing	\$263.52

Purse Supplement

1993 Statistics			1993 Improvement Program		
Track	Dates	Wagering \$	1992 Dates	Daily Supplement	1993 Purse Supplement
Ancaster	2	39,746	2	\$263.52	\$527.04
Arnprior	1	7,480	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Beamsville	2	23,154	2	\$263.52	\$527.04
Binbrook	1	14,600	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Bothwell			1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Brockville	3	21,276	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Brooklin	1	14,965	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Burford	1	4,008	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Forest	1	6,184	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Markham	2	47,532	2	\$263.52	\$527.04
Melbourne	1	5,546	2	\$263.52	\$527.04
Norwood	1	21,603	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Ohswegen	1	9,550	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Orillia	1	5,883	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Orono	1	21,575	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Paris	1	30,243	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Parkhill	1	3,165	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Perth	1	17,831	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Port Perry	1	21,105	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Rodney	1	4,189	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Simcoe	4	50,137	4	\$263.52	\$1,054.20
Smithville			1	\$263.52	\$263.52
South Mountain	2	19,382	2	\$263.52	\$527.04
Spencerville	1	11,043	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Sutton	1	18,705			
Tillsonburg	1	10,742	4	\$263.52	\$1,054.20
Wallacetown	1	2,450	1	\$263.52	\$263.52
Total	34	432,094	38		\$10,014.00



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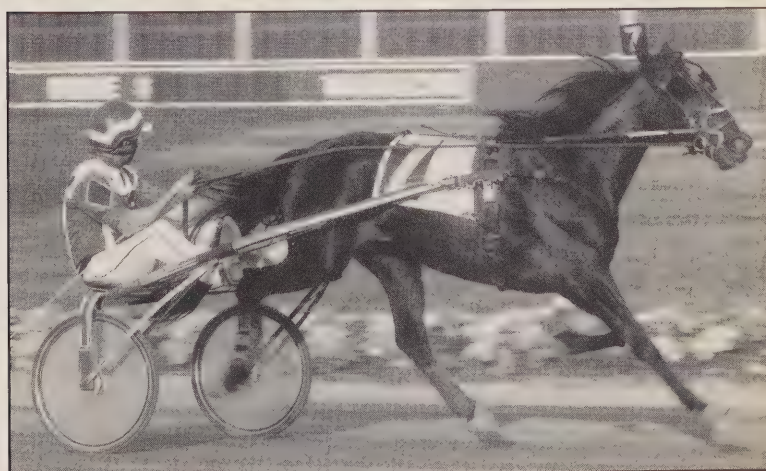
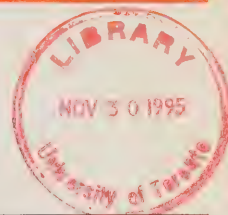
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Chair's Letter to the Minister



**Ontario
Racing
Commission**

The Honourable Marilyn Churley
Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations,
Parliament Buildings,
Queen's Park,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Madam Minister:

We are pleased to submit this forty-fifth Annual Statistical Report of the Ontario Racing Commission, covering the operations of the Commission during 1994.

A new sense of vitality, optimism and cooperation has returned to the horse racing and breeding industry in Ontario. Many new people have assumed positions of responsibility in industry associations, bringing with them new ideas and boundless energy. This is an exciting time to be in racing.

Of particular significance has been the creation of the Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association which brings together representatives of all segments of the industry. This association has enormous potential for unifying the industry and representing its interests with one powerful voice in an expanding entertainment and gaming market. Once again Ontario has led the way in horse racing circles across North America, as other jurisdictions are now beginning to establish similar associations.

The Government of Ontario, through its sector strategy planning process, deserves credit for fostering the creation of this new association. This bodes well for future cooperation between government and our industry.

It is also appropriate that we publicly thank N.E. Peter Hardy, the founding president of the association, who was instrumental in bringing this industry together and in paving the way for an era of participation and growth. His determined and unrelenting efforts will reap rewards for decades to come.

Yours faithfully,

Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.
Chair

Harry J. Addison Jr.
Vice-Chair

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Viviane Tomas



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Racing Commission Act

Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990, Chapter R.2

The Ontario Racing Commission was established under the Racing Commission Act by the Ontario Provincial Government in 1950 to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in the province.

1. In this Act,

- (a) Commission means the Ontario Racing Commission;
- (b) Minister means the member of the Executive Council to whom the administration of this Act is assigned by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. ("ministre") R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 1.

2. The body corporate known as the Ontario Racing Commission, established under *The Racing Commission Act*, 1950, being chapter 67, is continued under the name Ontario Racing Commission in English and the name Commission des courses de l'Ontario in French, and shall be composed of not fewer than three and not more than seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 2, *revised*.

3. The objects of the Commission are to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 3.

4. The members of the Commission shall hold office for a term of not more than three years, but any person is eligible for reappointment. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 4.

5. (1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall name one of the members to be the chair and one of the members to be the vice-chair.

(2) When the office of chair is vacant or in the absence of the chair, the vice-chair shall act in his place and stead. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 5.

6. (1) At any meeting of the Commission a majority of the members constitutes a quorum, and a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of the Commission determines any question.

(2) The chair has a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 6.

7. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may fill any vacancy that occurs in the membership of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 7.

8. The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall fix the salaries of the chair, the vice-chair and the other members of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 8.

9. The salaries and expenses of the members of the Commission and of the officers, clerks and other employees thereof, and generally all costs, charges and expenses incurred and payable in respect of the carrying out of this Act, shall be paid out of the monies appropriated therefor by the Legislature. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 10.

10. The Commission has power,

- (a) to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms;
- (b) to govern, control and regulate the operation of race tracks in Ontario at which any form of horse racing is carried on;
- (c) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers, and to require by a summons signed by the chair or by any other member of the Commission any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as the Commission considers requisite in any such hearing;
- (d) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act, by a fine or other penalty or otherwise;
- (e) to make by-laws for the conduct of its business and for the control and direction of its work;
- (f) to license persons to operate race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;
- (g) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespersons and

such other persons in or about racetracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on, and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;

- (h) to fix and collect fees or other charges for licences, prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which they may be issued;
- (i) to refuse to grant any licence or to suspend or revoke any licence for conduct that the Commission considers to be contrary to the public interest;
- (j) to require registration with the Commission of, and to register colours, assumed names, partnerships and contracts and such other matters and things as the Commission considers expedient;
- (k) to fix and collect fees or other charges for registration under clause (j) and to prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which registration may be made;
- (l) to make and promulgate rules for the conduct of horse racing in any of its forms;
- (m) to employ stewards, veterinarians, analysts, secretarial assistants, judges and such other persons as the Commission considers expedient to attend at race meetings on behalf of the Commission;
- (n) to require approval by the Commission of the appointment of race track officials and employees whose duties relate to the actual running of horse races and to compel the discharge for cause of any such official or employee;
- (o) to fix, impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act;
- (p) to require persons licensed to operate race tracks to keep books of account in a manner satisfactory to the Commission, and to inspect such books at any time;
- (q) to do such things relating to horse racing in any or all of its forms, or to the operation of race tracks at which

horse racing is carried on, as are authorized or directed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 11; 1981, c. 33, s. 2.

11. The accounts of the Commission shall be audited by the Provincial Auditor or by such other auditor as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 12.

12. The Commission shall make a report annually to the Minister, containing such information as the Minister may require. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 13.

13. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations with respect to any and all matters or things that are considered necessary for the carrying out of this Act. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 14.

14. (1) Rules for the conduct of horse racing may be promulgated by the Commission under this Act and the Commission may therein delegate to stewards, judges, veterinarians, race track officials, racing association officials, licensing agents or officers of the Commission such of the following powers as the Commission considers expedient,

- (a) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers;
- (b) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act;
- (c) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespeople and such other persons in or about race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on;
- (d) to collect fees or other charges for licenses;
- (e) to impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act.

(2) The Commission may adopt by reference, in whole or in part, with such changes as the Commission

considers necessary, rules and procedures of racing associations or bodies and may delegate to racing associations or bodies the power to,

- (a) enforce the carrying out and observance of the rules and procedures as adopted or amended
- (b) hold hearings in respect of the contravention of any of the said rules or procedures; and
- (c) impose and collect fines, costs and other penalties for the contravention of any of the rules or procedures,

and where a power has been so delegated to a racing association or body, it shall have the right to exercise discretion or judgment in relation to the powers delegated.

(3) Every person, association or body to whom a power to hold hearings has been delegated under subsection (1) or (2), may by summons require any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as may be required for purposes of a hearing.

(4) Subject to subsection (6), any person who considers themselves aggrieved by a decision of a person delegated by the Commission under a rule made under subsection (1) or by a decision resulting from a hearing held pursuant to a delegation under subsection (2), is entitled to a hearing by the Commission and, in the case of a hearing, the Commission may exercise its powers and duties under section 10 as if such powers and duties had not been delegated.

(5) Where the Commission, after holding a hearing, is of the opinion that the request for the hearing was frivolously made, the Commission may order the person requesting the hearing to pay to the Commission a penalty of no more than \$300 in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed.

(6) Where the rules of the Commission, promulgated or adopted, provide for an appeal to an association or body, any person who considers themselves aggrieved shall appeal in

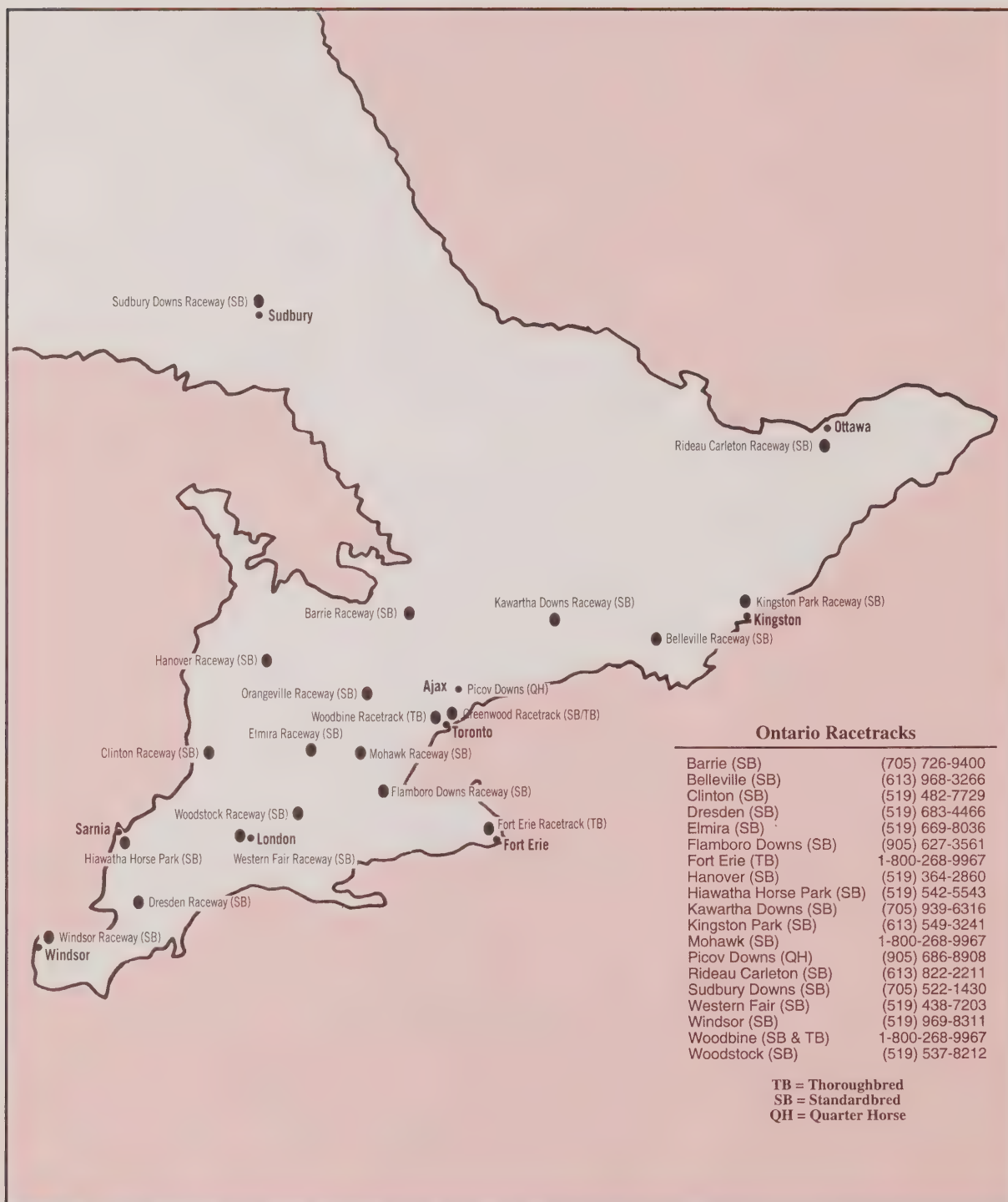
accordance with the rules before applying to the Commission for a hearing under subsection (4).

(7) Any order or rule issued or made by the Commission under this Act shall be deemed to be of an administrative and not of a legislative nature.

(8) One member of the Commission constitutes a quorum for the purposes of a hearing under subsection (4).

(9) The Commission may, on its own motion, review any decision made by a racing association or body pursuant to a power delegated under subsection (2) and may, after affording the parties an opportunity to be heard, confirm the decision reviewed or substitute its own decision in lieu thereof. 1980, c. 429 s. 15.

Ontario Racetracks



Ontario Racetracks

Barrie (SB)	(705) 726-9400
Belleville (SB)	(613) 968-3266
Clinton (SB)	(519) 482-7729
Dresden (SB)	(519) 683-4466
Elmira (SB)	(519) 669-8036
Flamboro Downs (SB)	(905) 627-3561
Fort Erie (TB)	1-800-268-9967
Hanover (SB)	(519) 364-2860
Hiawatha Horse Park (SB)	(519) 542-5543
Kawartha Downs (SB)	(705) 939-6316
Kingston Park (SB)	(613) 549-3241
Mohawk (SB)	1-800-268-9967
Picov Downs (QH)	(905) 686-8908
Rideau Carleton (SB)	(613) 822-2211
Sudbury Downs (SB)	(705) 522-1430
Western Fair (SB)	(519) 438-7203
Windsor (SB)	(519) 969-8311
Woodbine (SB & TB)	1-800-268-9967
Woodstock (SB)	(519) 537-8212

TB = Thoroughbred
 SB = Standardbred
 QH = Quarter Horse

Ontario Racing Commission



The nine horse field makes the first turn in the Rothmans Ltd. International which was run on the new E.P. Taylor Turf Course for the first time in 1994.

Photo: Michael Burns

Personnel of the Commission

As at December 31, 1994, the Commission consisted of:

Chair

Stanley Sadinsky

Vice-Chair

Harry J. Addison Jr.

Members

Martin G. Caputo

Jane Hutchins

Herb McGirr, Sr.

Gordon L. Shapley

Viviane Tomas

Officials of the Commission

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Deputy Director of Racing

W.T. Stone

Deputy Director of Finance and

Administration

G. Fernandes

Commission Counsel

A. Gibson

Supervisor of Thoroughbred Racing

E. Hall

Supervisor of Standardbred Racing

W. Fines

Executive Assistant to Chairman

V. Donovan

Administrative Officer

R. Roy

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Communications

W.L. Hoogeveen

Chairman's/Director's Secretary

J. Chang Alloy

Secretary

D. Wright

Receptionist

N. Manente (underfill)

Administrative Assistant

vacant

Purchasing and Licensing Clerk (acting)

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Licensing and Filing Clerk

A. Mason

Ontario Sires Stakes Coordinator

T. Iwanciw

Licensing & Cheque Coordinator

D. Lefebvre

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G. Cahill

J. Campbell

P. Cass

A. Caughey

R. Croteau

P. Dyson

L. Geisel

D. Godkin

V. Gould

R. Grubb

M. Halfacree

E. Hall

N. Ham

P. Harrison

P. Hawman

W. Hicks

G. Horder

W. Lawrence

W. McDonnell

R. McGee

I. McHutchion

N. McKnight

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W. Pennington

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D. Raymond

P. Smith

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T. Weir

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W. Carroll

Clappison Veterinary Service

R. Conrad

G. Elliott

J. Foote

T.R. Furness

G. Gardiner

Lynden Veterinary Services

Mohawk Equine Service

R. Moncrief

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E. Nugent

Ottawa Valley Large Animal Clinic

V. Robertshaw

P. Schoppel

St. Lawrence Veterinary Service

G. Taylor

Meetings and Hearings

The seven-member Commission meets on a regular basis to establish policy, to deal with administrative matters and to act as a quasi-judicial tribunal.

Commission Meetings

The Commission held six formal meetings during 1994 at which regular business was attended to.

Hearings

In addition to formal meetings, the Commission sat for thirty-five days at which 43 licensees appeared for hearings or appeals.

Thoroughbred

During 1993, twenty-seven thoroughbred licensees or applicants for licenses appeared before the Commission for hearings relative to the Rules of Thoroughbred Racing.

Standardbred

Sixteen standardbred licensees or applicants for licenses appeared before the Commission for hearings pertaining to the Rules of Standardbred Racing.

General

In addition to the above, the Commission sat for twenty-two days of public hearings, eight of which were for racetrack licenses or race date applications, and fourteen of which were for teletheatre applications.

Racing Industry Appeal Board

This appeal tribunal is appointed by the Ontario Racing Commission upon recommendations from the Canadian Trotting Association and the Ontario Harness Horse Association.

This board hears Standardbred appeals relative to fines of less than \$300.00 and/or suspensions of less than 30 days. The Board sat for five days at which thirty-three licensees appeared to have their appeals dealt with. Five appeals were allowed, 25 appeals were disallowed and three appeals were partially allowed.

Memberships

Association of Racing Commissioners, International

The Commission continues to hold active membership in the Association of Racing Commissioners International. This organization is comprised of representatives from all racing commissions throughout North America, Mexico and the Caribbean. The organization acts as a clearing house for changes in racing rules and statistical information. The Chair is a member of the Executive Board. Deputy Director of Racing, Terry Stone, serves on both the Thoroughbred and Standardbred Rules Committee.

Racetracks Security Canada

Acting to facilitate the transfer of information between organizations on security matters and the investigation process, this organization is made up of racetrack security personnel as well as Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency and Commission representatives.

American Association of Equine Practitioners

This association is a professional society of more than 4,500 members from the United States, Canada and over 40 other countries. Since its founding in 1944, one of the primary roles of the AAEP has been to act in an advisory capacity to the racing industry on matters affecting the health of the horse.

Summary of Licences Issued

The Ontario Racing Commission licenses any person practicing a profession, trade, occupation or calling at any licensed Ontario racetrack.

Thoroughbred

Total number of licences issued includes
reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licenses	No. of Licenses
	1994	1993
Owner, New Owner and Owner Renewal	1,604	1,827
Trainer and Trainer Assistant	318	300
Owner/Trainer, New and Renewals	177	221
Jockey	123	133
Jockey Apprentice, Valets, and Jockey Agent	67	87
Tradesmen	148	165
Veterinarian	23	28
Occupational (Other)	1,854	2,252
Pari-Mutuel	112	165
Total Licenses Issued	4,426	5,178

Standardbred

Total number of licences issued includes
reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licenses	No. of Licenses
	1994	1993
Owner, New and Renewal	7,106	7,629
Stable/Multiple Ownership	264	366
Trainer	2,925	3,026
Driver	1,423	1,470
Groom	4,305	4,611
Tradesmen	212	227
Veterinarian	55	64
Occupational	247	308
Association	212	227
Commission Officials	45	44
Pari-Mutuel	331	349
Total Licenses Issued	17,040	18,231

Wagering and Attendance Statistics



The ribbon cutting ceremony opening the new Standardbred racetrack at Woodbine Racetrack on January 1, 1994

Photo: Brian Smiley

Recap of Horse Racing in Ontario and Canada in 1994

Including revenue to the Provincial and Federal Government

	No. of Days	Attendance	Wagering	Provincial Tax (Net of Rebate)	Provincial Tax (Gross \$)	Federal Tax	%
Ontario							
Standardbred*	1,298	3,431,153	495,464,618	31,777,248	36,922,508	3,963,716	45.90%
Thoroughbred	279	2,478,537	583,946,436	23,534,795	43,488,071	4,671,571	54.09%
Quarter Horse	19	10,150	151,149	46,242	49,030	1,209	0.01%
Total Ontario	1,596	5,919,840	1,079,562,203	55,358,285	80,459,609	8,636,496	100.00%

* includes 37 days of Unsupervised Racing

Canada

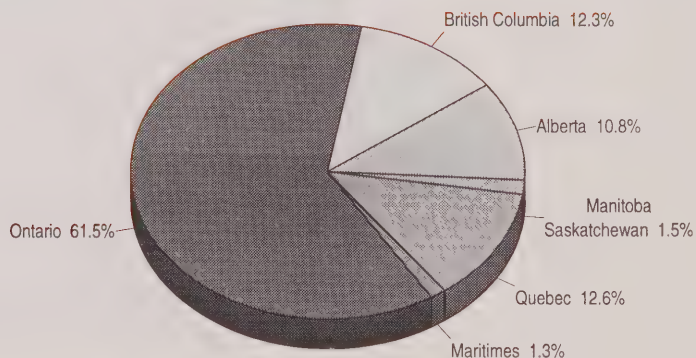
Standardbred	2,834	5,427,804	821,487,296		60,109,115	6,571,898	46.76%
Thoroughbred*	832	3,749,014	935,256,841		66,900,707	7,482,055	53.24%
Total Canada	3,666	9,176,818	1,756,744,137		127,009,822	14,053,953	100.00%

*includes Quarter Horse

Provincial Detail

Ontario	1,596	5,919,840	1,079,562,203		76,767,359	8,636,498	61.45%
Quebec	564	972,236	221,969,155		n/a	1,775,753	12.64%
British Columbia	314	1,103,248	217,119,546		n/a	1,736,956	12.36%
Alberta	431	755,191	190,468,080		n/a	1,523,745	10.84%
Manitoba	141	n/a	20,341,313		n/a	162,731	1.16%
Nova Scotia	227	109,446	10,472,065		n/a	83,777	0.60%
New Brunswick	99	66,000	5,792,557		n/a	46,340	0.33%
Prince Edward Island	133	177,500	5,698,234		n/a	45,586	0.32%
Saskatchewan	122	73,833	5,045,023		n/a	40,360	0.29%
Newfoundland	39	8,550	275,961		n/a	2,208	0.02%
Total	3,666	9,185,844	1,756,744,137		127,009,822	14,053,954	100.00%

Ontario's Share of the Canadian Wagering Dollar



Revenue Produced: Purses and Tax Dollars

Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Gross Prov Tax†	Net Prov Tax★	Fed Tax	Tax Dollars Produced			Purse Distribution	% Purse to Handle
						Gross Prov.	Net Prov★	Fed.		
Progress in Thoroughbred Racing										
1983	248	304,967,668	†7	5	.7 to .8	22,436,485	15,344,485	2,134,774	24,764,794	8.12%
1984	245	319,343,712	†7	5	0.8	23,534,604	16,348,604	2,554,750	26,058,227	8.16%
1985	264	333,683,591	†7	5	0.8	24,505,628	16,926,228	2,669,469	28,622,164	8.58%
1986	282	365,528,513	†7	5	0.8	26,850,776	19,029,328	2,924,389	31,879,981	8.72%
1987	278	413,565,078	†7	5	0.8	30,347,090	21,772,744	3,308,521	35,287,923	8.53%
1988	287	452,114,414	†7	5	0.8	33,155,471	23,486,634	3,616,915	43,613,731	9.65%
1989	288	495,407,190	†7	5	0.8	36,239,126	25,723,027	3,963,258	45,393,965	9.16%
1990	292	535,324,696	†7	5	0.8	39,161,047	27,668,232	4,282,598	45,267,891	8.46%
1991	293	523,630,971	†7	5	0.8	38,291,814	26,096,919	4,189,047	47,905,579	9.14%
1992	293	521,513,857	†7	5	0.8	38,177,239	26,369,286	4,172,111	51,692,667	9.91%
1993	294	567,019,864	†7	5	0.8	42,216,151	30,325,912	4,536,159	47,176,882	8.32%
1994	279	583,946,436	†7	5	0.8	43,488,071	31,777,248	4,671,571	39,484,249	6.76%
Progress in Quarter Horse Racing										
1983	7	103,196	†7	5	.7 to .8	7,224	5,224	722	42,160	40.85%
1984	7	82,426	†7	5	0.8	5,770	3,770	659	118,979	144.35%
1985	7	84,692	†7	5	0.8	5,928	4,280	667	95,942	113.28%
1986	12	139,651	†7	5	0.8	9,776	8,082	1,115	128,546	92.05%
1987	13	118,110	†7	5	0.8	8,268	5,475	945	143,933	121.86%
1988	16	141,124	†7	5	0.8	9,879	7,517	1,129	149,548	105.97%
1989	20	244,565	†7	5	0.8	17,119	14,297	1,957	184,220	75.33%
1990	21	334,927	†7	5	0.8	23,445	18,554	2,679	247,264	73.88%
1991	21	258,061	†7	5	0.8	18,064	11,366	2,064	228,182	88.42%
1992	18	186,106	†7	5	0.8	13,027	7,866	1,488	126,997	68.23%
1993	17	139,387	†7	5	0.8	9,757	6,035	1,115	97,775	70.14%
1994	19	151,149	†7	5	0.8	49,030	46,242	1,209	73,734	48.78%
Progress in Standardbred Racing										
1983	1672	517,786,938	†7	5	.7 to .8	38,496,281	25,892,281	3,624,508	48,546,946	9.38%
1984	1633	507,096,175	†7	5	0.8	37,737,130	25,130,430	4,056,769	48,172,749	9.50%
1985	1549	494,314,388	†7	5	0.8	36,825,981	24,455,781	3,954,118	48,969,604	9.91%
1986	1625	524,243,023	†7	5	0.8	39,260,613	27,150,352	4,193,437	53,690,705	10.24%
1987	1551	560,118,892	†7	5	0.8	42,070,986	29,022,540	4,480,951	58,234,266	10.40%
1988	1643	607,601,166	†7	5	0.8	45,475,891	31,410,847	4,860,809	65,135,136	10.72%
1989	1628	627,249,647	†7	5	0.8	46,854,374	31,724,890	5,010,190	68,430,917	10.93%
1990	1585	616,089,970	†7	5	0.8	46,101,128	30,560,444	4,928,719	68,804,411	11.17%
1991	1498	560,950,032	†7	5	0.8	42,076,205	26,579,656	4,487,600	60,714,864	10.82%
1992	1486	548,569,954	†7	5	0.8	41,403,406	27,072,390	4,388,559	65,425,855	11.92%
1993	1333	463,929,955	†7	5	0.8	34,541,451	20,355,235	3,711,440	61,693,065	13.29%
1994	1298	495,464,618	†7	5	0.8	36,922,508	23,534,795	3,963,716	63,951,896	12.90%

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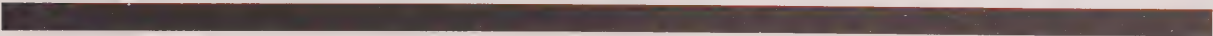
Wagering and Attendance Trends in Ontario

Wagering

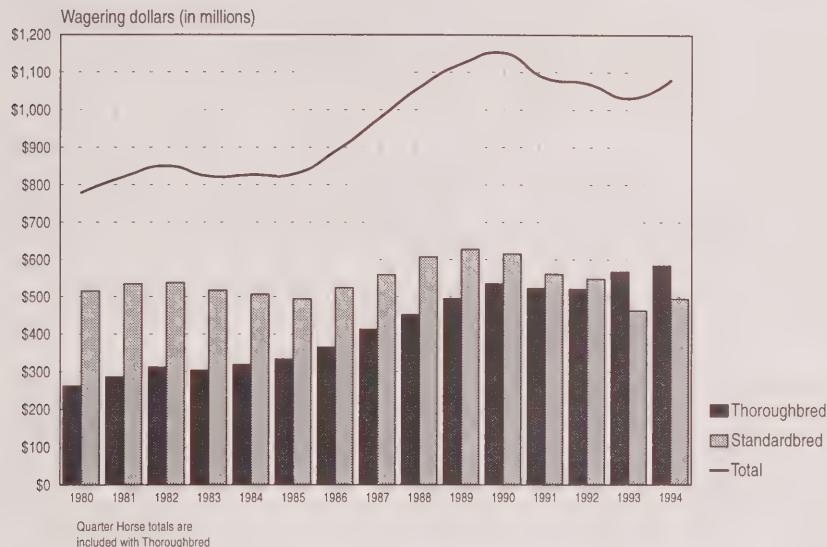
Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered
1980	1584	\$515,787,745	233	\$262,821,324	7	\$156,928	1,824	\$778,765,997
1981	1621	\$534,950,803	237	\$286,498,285	7	\$159,977	1,865	\$821,609,065
1982	1657	\$537,622,939	238	\$312,886,211	7	\$118,298	1,902	\$850,627,448
1983	1672	\$517,786,938	241	\$304,864,472	7	\$103,196	1,920	\$822,754,606
1984	1633	\$507,096,175	245	\$319,343,712	7	\$82,426	1,885	\$826,522,313
1985	1549	\$494,314,388	264	\$333,683,591	7	\$84,692	1,820	\$828,082,671
1986	1625	\$524,243,023	282	\$365,528,513	12	\$139,651	1,919	\$889,911,187
1987	1551	\$560,118,892	278	\$413,565,078	13	\$118,110	1,842	\$973,802,080
1988	1643	\$607,601,166	287	\$452,114,414	16	\$141,124	1,946	\$1,059,856,704
1989	1628	\$627,249,647	288	\$495,407,190	20	\$244,565	1,936	\$1,122,901,402
1990	1585	\$616,089,970	292	\$535,324,696	21	\$334,927	1,898	\$1,151,749,593
1991	1498	\$560,950,032	293	\$523,630,971	21	\$258,061	1,812	\$1,084,839,064
1992	1486	\$548,569,954	293	\$521,513,857	18	\$186,106	1,797	\$1,070,269,917
1993	1,333	\$463,929,955	294	\$567,019,864	17	\$139,387	1,644	\$1,031,089,206
1994	1,298	\$495,464,618	279	\$583,946,436	19	\$151,149	1,596	\$1,079,562,203

Attendance

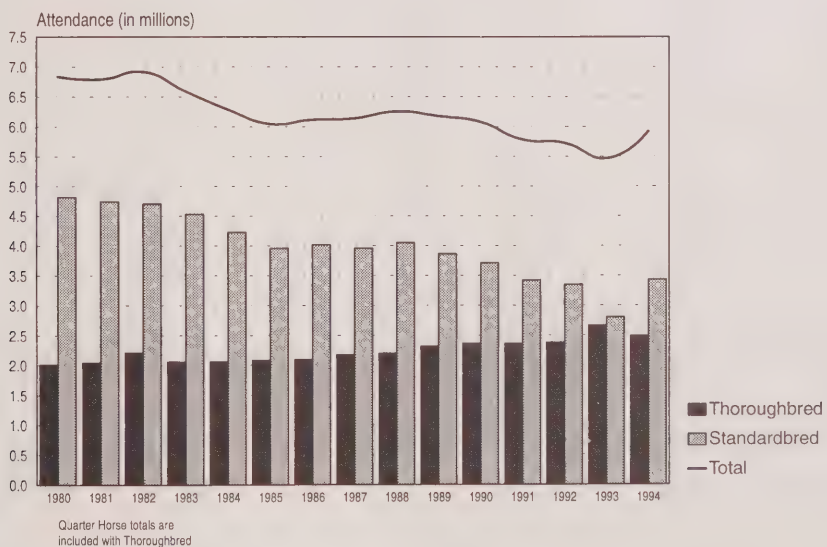
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	Total	Average	Total	Average	Total	Average	Total	Average
1980	4,819,098	3,042	2,010,182	8,627	4,686	669	6,833,966	3,747
1981	4,741,751	2,925	2,041,620	8,614	5,287	755	6,788,658	3,640
1982	4,705,750	2,840	2,206,803	9,272	4,036	577	6,916,589	3,636
1983	4,531,161	2,710	2,058,037	8,540	3,304	472	6,592,502	3,434
1984	4,229,634	2,590	2,056,743	8,395	3,418	488	6,289,795	3,337
1985	3,960,341	2,557	2,083,007	7,890	2,947	421	6,046,295	3,322
1986	4,018,687	2,473	2,089,251	7,409	6,115	510	6,114,053	3,186
1987	3,958,233	2,552	2,174,243	7,821	3,532	272	6,136,008	3,331
1988	4,051,641	2,466	2,193,147	7,642	6,727	420	6,251,515	3,212
1989	3,862,048	2,372	2,305,590	8,005	7,320	366	6,174,958	3,189
1990	3,709,300	2,340	2,358,753	8,078	7,755	369	6,075,808	3,201
1991	3,421,738	2,284	2,352,814	8,030	6,784	323	5,781,336	3,190
1992	3,345,779	2,251	2,372,312	8,069	5,259	292	5,723,370	3,185
1993	2,802,335	2,102	2,656,324	9,035	5,259	309	5,463,735	3,323
1994	3,431,153	2,643	2,478,537	8,884	10,150	534	5,919,840	3,709



Wagering Trends



Attendance Trends



Wagering and Attendance Statistics

Comparison of 1993 and 1994

Tracks	No. of Days			Wagering Handle (\$) Reported *			Wagering Handle (\$) Actual on Site **		
	1994	1993	%+-	1994	1993	%+-	1994	1993	%+-
Thoroughbred									
Woodbine	182	135	34.8%	488,538,806	396,604,663	23.2%	416,916,816	340,855,020	22.3%
Greenwood	n/a	57	n/a	n/a	120,954,604	n/a	n/a	89,463,621	n/a
Fort Erie	97	102	-4.9%	95,407,630	49,460,597	92.9%	81,693,249	77,042,771	6.0%
Total Thoroughbred	279	294	-5.1%	583,946,436	567,019,864	3.0%	498,507,361,412	507,361,412	1.7%
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)									
Total Quarter Horse	19	17	11.8%	151,149	139,387	8.4%	671,782	139,387	382.0%
Standardbred									
Class I									
Woodbine/Greenwood	136	139	-2.2%	180,779,500	180,344,526	0.2%	166,179,855	250,630,373	-33.7%
Mohawk	122	119	2.5%	161,322,540	144,675,851	11.5%	114,126,684	51,107,151	123.3%
OJC	258	258	0.0%	342,102,040	325,020,376	5.3%	280,306,539	301,737,524	-7.1%
Windsor	125	133	-6.0%	39,143,708	37,173,681	5.3%	80,906,549	70,948,519	14.0%
	383	391	-2.0%	381,245,748	362,194,057	5.3%	361,213,088	372,686,043	-3.1%
Class II									
Flamboro Downs	213	185	15.1%	63,157,633	34,050,969	85.5%	64,409,270	33,947,956	89.7%
Rideau Carleton	105	104	1.0%	15,378,629	18,941,629	-18.8%	28,682,745	21,905,834	30.9%
	318	289	10.0%	78,536,262	52,992,598	48.2%	93,091,015	55,853,790	66.7%
Class III									
Western Fair	121	127	-4.7%	10,021,411	13,914,483	-28.0%	27,681,983	21,307,186	29.9%
Hiawatha	43	60	-28.3%	3,457,994	5,004,166	-30.9%	13,782,493	10,267,813	34.2%
Barrie	89	99	-10.1%	6,741,976	8,852,829	-24.7%	12,637,288	9,369,044	34.9%
Kawartha Downs	56	49	14.3%	4,411,457	4,208,880	4.8%	5,296,174	4,208,880	25.8%
Elmira	52	50	4.0%	2,936,388	3,454,088	-15.0%	21,239,002	17,617,110	20.6%
Sudbury Downs	50	50	0.0%	1,910,898	2,681,410	-28.7%	14,079,465	14,342,923	-1.8%
Orangeville	n/a	40	n/a	n/a	2,667,664	n/a%	n/a	3,321,175	n/a
	411	475	-13.5%	29,480,124	40,883,520	-27.9%	94,716,405	80,434,131	17.8%
Class IV									
Kingston Park	44	34	29.4%	893,097	1,445,192	-38.2%	2,980,969	2,299,232	29.7%
Dresden	27	27	0.0%	2,114,511	2,045,764	3.4%	4,498,404	3,781,350	19.0%
Woodstock	22	21	4.8%	805,047	1,252,244	-35.7%	3,993,954	3,346,267	19.4%
Belleville	24	24	0.0%	667,026	873,513	-23.6%	3,286,387	2,663,388	23.4%
Hanover	21	27	-22.2%	733,311	1,152,168	-36.4%	1,798,338	1,433,307	25.5%
Clinton	11	11	0.0%	520,154	658,805	-21.0%	1,396,888	658,805	112.0%
	149	144	3.5%	5,733,146	7,427,686	-22.8%	17,954,448	14,182,349	26.6%
Total Supervised	1,261	1,299	-2.9%	494,995,280	463,497,861	6.8%	566,975,448	523,156,313	8.4%
Unsupervised	37	34	8.8%	469,338	432,094	8.6%	469,338	432,094	8.6%
Total Standardbred	1,298	1,333	-2.6%	495,464,618	463,929,955	6.8%	567,444,786	523,588,407	8.4%
Grand Total	1,596	1,644	-2.9%	1,079,562,203	1,031,089,206	4.7%	1,066,771,663	1,031,089,206	3.5%

Notes:

1. Reported Wagering Levels are those collected and distributed by Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency. These figures are based on the location of the pool.
2. Actual on Site figures are calculated by the Ontario Racing Commission and are based on where the dollar was wagered
3. Attendance: 1993 statistics, source CPMA. 1994 statistics, source ORC as provided by racetracks (includes live, simulcast and teletheatre attendance).



Wagering % +/- Reported / Actual on Site		Daily Average (\$) Actual on Site			Attendance		
1994	1993	1994	1993	%+-	1994	1993	%+-
-14.7%	-14.1%	2,290,999	2,524,852	-9.3%	2,013,159	1,770,914	13.7%
n/a	-26.0%	n/a	1,569,537	n/a	n/a	523,074	n/a
-14.4%	55.8%	842,198	755,321	11.5%	465,378	362,336	28.4%
-14.6%	-10.5%	1,787,294	1,725,719	3.6%	2,478,537	2,656,324	-6.7%
344.5%	0.0%	35,357	8,199	331.2%	10,150	5,076	100%
-8.1%	39.0%	1,221,911	1,803,096	-32.2%	856,921	833,729	2.8%
-29.3%	-64.7%	935,465	429,472	117.8%	602,169	690,716	-12.8%
-18.1%	-7.2%	1,086,459	1,169,525	-7.1%	1,459,089	1,524,445	-4.3%
106.7%	90.9%	647,252	533,448	21.3%	416,059	257,901	61.3%
-5.3%	2.9%				1,875,148	1,782,346	5.2%
2.0%	-0.3%	302,391	183,502	64.8%	267,167	265,536	55.7%
86.5%	15.6%	273,159	210,633	29.7%	251,500	180,181	39.6%
18.5%	5.4%				664,867	445,717	49.2%
176.2%	53.1%	228,777	167,773	36.4%	234,714	156,947	49.5%
298.6%	105.2%	320,523	171,130	87.3%	93,156	64,482	44.5%
87.4%	4.6%	141,992	94,637	50.0%	99,521	92,076	8.1%
20.1%	0.0%	94,575	85,896	10.1%	59,083	48,283	22.4%
623.3%	410.0%	408,442	352,342	15.9%	100,722	33,916	197.0%
636.8%	434.9%	281,589	286,858	-1.8%	155,270	23,866	550.6%
n/a	24.5%	n/a	83,029	n/a	n/a	30,993	n/a
221.3%	96.7%				742,466	450,563	64.8%
233.8%	59.1%	67,749	67,624	0.2%	15,623	13,929	12.2%
112.7%	84.8%	166,608	140,050	19.0%	40,090	29,904	34.1%
396.1%	167.2%	181,543	159,346	13.9%	31,937	17,424	83.3%
392.7%	204.9%	136,933	110,975	23.4%	21,357	12,908	65.5%
145.2%	24.4%	85,635	53,085	61.3%	24,318	25,806	-5.8%
168.6%	0.0%	126,990	59,891	112.0%	15,347	11,516	33.3%
213.2%	90.9%				148,672	111,487	33.4%
14.5%	12.9%				3,431,153	2,790,113	23.0%
0.0%	0.0%	12,685	12,709	-0.2%	n/a	na/	n/a%
14.5%	12.9%	437,169	392,790	11.3%	3,431,153	2,802,335	23.0%
-1.2%	0.0%				5,919,840	5,463,735	8.6%

Intertrack Wagering

Teletheatre	Thoroughbred			Standardbred			Total	
	1994	1993		1994	1993		1994	1993
Thoroughbred								
Woodbine	68,072,244	78,661,822	-13.5%	2,577,494	46,911,560	-94.5%	70,649,738	125,573,382
Greenwood	n/a	35,967,984		n/a	23,754,476		n/a	59,722,460
Fort Erie	23,463,205	22,710,944	3.3%	2,484,018	9,403,544	-73.6	25,947,223	32,114,488
Total	91,535,449	137,340,750	-33.4%	5,061,512	80,069,580	-93.7%	96,596,961	217,410,330
Standardbred								
Woodbine	27,893,762	n/a		1,596,463	n/a		29,490,225	n/a
Greenwood	n/a	65,654,528		n/a	29,301,345		n/a	94,955,873
Mohawk				86,434			86,484	
Windsor	38,726,335	29,019,558	33.4%	11,399,870	7,621,282	49.6%	50,126,205	36,640,840
Flamboro	4,150,517	103,399		3,758,496	336,166		7,909,013	439,565
Rideau Carleton	1,352,454	1,864,442	-27.5%	3,763,530	798,801	371.1%	5,115,984	2,663,243
Western Fair	3,428,037	80,697		8,041,626	7,312,006	10.0%	11,469,663	7,392,703
Hiawatha	2,234,074	1,255,589	77.9%	5,433,756	4,008,027	35.6%	7,667,830	5,263,616
Barrie	593,719			2,524,085	761,828	231.3%	3,117,804	761,828
Elmira	7,786,768	7,112,251	9.5%	7,426,023	7,050,771	5.3%	15,212,791	14,163,022
Sudbury	52,768	25,259	108.9%	740,864	3,045,475	-75.7%	793,632	3,070,734
Kingston				2,207,580	870,347	153.6%	2,207,580	870,347
Dresden		5,891		1,259,280	1,733,937	-27.4%	1,259,280	1,739,828
Woodstock		30,063		2,290,114	2,063,960	11.0%	2,290,114	2,094,023
Belleville	39,887	103,374	-61.4%	824,062	835,884	-1.4%	863,949	939,258
Clinton	83,632			477,288			560,920	
Hanover				404,302	281,179	43.8%	404,302	281,179
Total	86,341,953	105,255,051	-18.0%	52,233,773	66,021,008	-20.9%	138,575,726	171,276,059
Grand Total	178,398,034	242,595,801	-26.5%	57,295,285	146,090,588	-60.8%	235,693,319	388,686,389

Teletheatres

Teletheatre	Thoroughbred		Standardbred		Total	
	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994	1993
Barrie Hub			3,020,472		3,540,445	
Belleville/Rideau Network	299,619	19,991	1,764,864	831,633	2,064,483	851,624
Flamboro Downs Network			27,948,561	911,884	27,948,561	911,884
Kawartha Downs Hub			884,717		884,717	
Ontario Jockey Club Network	180,641,485	1,511,576	135,872,122	389,085	316,513,607	1,900,661
Ontario Teletheatre Network	1,078,361	21,147	15,449,816	2,452,091	16,528,177	2,473,238
Picov/OJC Hub	4,080,754		3,688,254		7,769,008	
Rideau Network	4,086,678	180,955	15,339,301	1,929,882	19,425,979	2,110,837
Sudbury/OJC Network	3,341,759	718,193	12,619,203	8,893,799	15,960,962	9,611,992
Total	194,048,629	2,451,862	216,587,310	15,408,374	410,635,939	17,860,236

Racing Statistics

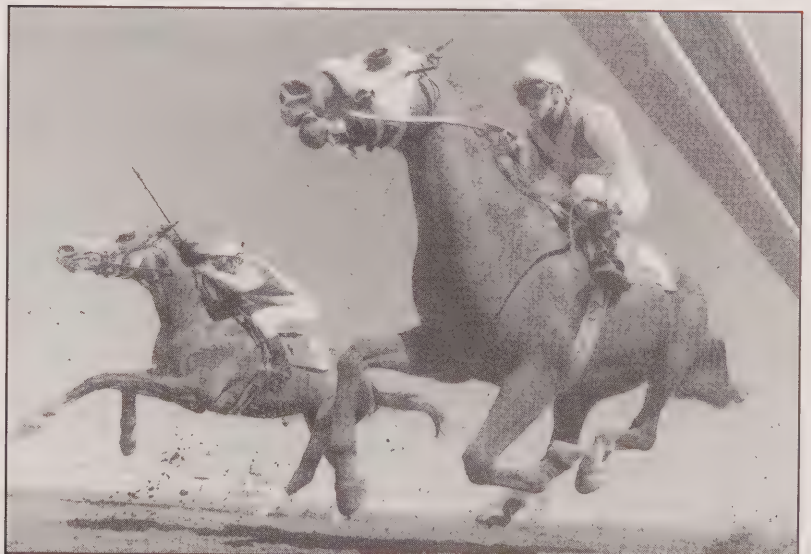


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Commission Activity – Thoroughbred

The Stewards issued 397 rulings against licensed personnel for various infractions involving owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders in 1994.

Inquiries by the Stewards

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1971	82	46	36
1972	84	59	25
1973	39	24	15
1974	51	21	30
1975	41	15	26
1976	45	18	27
1977	26	5	21
1978	28	14	14
1979	59	29	30
1980	65	26	39
1981	92	48	44
1982	81	49	32
1983	109	67	42
1984	76	54	22
1985	63	51	12
1986	70	43	27
1987	62	42	20
1988	68	57	11
1989	79	64	15
1990	66	53	13
1991	78	66	12
1992	84	69	15
1993	71	52	19
1994	67	58	9

Claims of Foul

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1971	95	30	65
1972	81	24	57
1973	78	28	50
1974	83	26	57
1975	86	29	57
1976	61	21	40
1977	93	24	69
1978	91	37	54
1979	97	32	65
1980	111	40	71
1981	131	40	91
1982	87	30	57
1983	93	27	66
1984	90	27	63
1985	90	32	58
1986	92	28	64
1987	89	27	62
1988	118	29	89
1989	117	18	99
1990	140	34	106
1991	131	42	89
1992	133	42	91
1993	144	40	104
1994	116	33	83

Scratches

	1992	1993	1994
By Commission			
Veterinarians	479	466	441
By Stewards	488	423	268
As part of entries	96	119	27
Out of stakes	23	27	32
Total	1,086	1,035	768

Trainers' Examinations

	1992	1993	1994
Number of examinations written	42	53	38
Number of examinations passed	33	42	30
Number of examinations failed	9	4	8

Urine and Blood Tests

	1991	1992	1993	1994
Number ordered by the stewards (inc. extras)	6,554	6,437	6,738	6,390
Number taken	6,370	6,290	6,616	6,520
Number abandoned	51	43	37	19

Claims – Standardbred

							\$Value	Average \$ Value
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1994	1994
Barrie	84	73	52	57	84	74	237,250	3,206
Belleville	5	9	2	2	2	9	18,000	2,000
Clinton	9	5	4	9	4	8	12,000	1,500
Dresden	29	28	19	16	23	29	71,375	2,461
Elmira	16	23	10	16	26	45	185,125	4,113
Flamboro Downs	109	93	90	121	105	235	1,522,875	6,480
Goderich	4	7	2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Greenwood	352	252	148	174	238	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hanover	13	10	19	15	9	11	28,500	2,590
Hiawatha	87	53	29	38	51	24	74,875	3,119
Kawartha Downs	12	13	11	19	20	16	58,375	3,648
Kingston Park	19	29	30	45	19	2	3,500	1,750
Leamington	3	12	8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mohawk	207	149	115	130	166	257	5,739,500	22,332
Orangeville	65	66	32	43	18	n/a	n/a	n/a
Rideau Carleton	94	50	48	55	74	66	264,250	4,003
Sudbury	7	19	19	15	13	18	47,000	2,611
Western Fair	86	79	86	84	83	76	214,375	2,820
Windsor	147	132	94	134	132	158	1,048,987	6,639
Woodbine						275	6,024,050	21,905
Woodstock	5	8	7	9	10	5	16,250	3,250
Total	1,353	1,110	825	982	1,077	1,308	15,566,287	11,900

Claims and Tattooing – Thoroughbred

Tattooing

Year	Number of Horses Tattooed
1982	936
1983	1,044
1984	1,056
1985	1,090
1986	1,310
1987	1,300
1988	1,419
1989	1,461
1990	1,327
1991	1,349
1992	1,292
1993	1,162
1994	988

Claims

Year	No.	Average Value
1982	626	\$9,522
1983	689	\$10,316
1984	676	\$10,257
1985	696	\$10,379
1986	861	\$9,918
1987	913	\$11,234
1988	815	\$12,811
1989	1,050	\$9,878
1990	639	\$12,992
1991	544	\$13,320
1992	863	\$12,926
1993	821	\$12,554
1994	813	\$12,271

Positive Tests

	Standardbred					Thoroughbred				
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
Betamethasone			1							
Bumetanide	2									
Bupivacaine										1
Butorphanol			1							
Caffeine			2		6					
Clenbuterol	2			3					2	
Cocaine			1		2					
Cromoglycate			1	7	5			1		
Detomidine				2						
Diazepam					1					
Diclofenac			1							
Dipyrrone	3	1	3				1			
Dexamethasone		1	1	1						
Dimethylsulfoxide					1					
Ephedrine					8					
Ethacrynic Acid		1			2					
Flunixin			2	2						
Furosemide	6	8	6	6	4	2	1	2	4	
Glycopyrrolate		2							1	
Guaifenesin	1	1		2	5					
Heptaminol	1		1							
Hydrochlorothiazide					1					
Hydroxy Detomidine		1								
Isoflupredone		1								
Isoxsuprine			2							
Ketoprofen					6			2		
Lidocaine					1					
Mazindol			2							
Meclofenamic Acid			2		1					
Methamphetamine				3						
Methocarbamol	1	2	6	5	1					
Morphine		1	1		2					
Naquasone			1							
Phenylbutazone	7	4	3	2	5	2	1			
Phenylpropanolamine	14	2	5	3					1	1
Prednisolone		1		2	1			1		
Procaine	2	2	1	5	5				1	3
Promazine	2		1					1		
Sabutamol			1							
Salicylic Acid	1				2					
Terbutaline		2								
Theophylline				3	3					
Trichlormethiazide	3				2					
Total	45	30	45	46	64	4	3	7	9	5

Improvement Programs



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Improvement Programs

The Ontario Government collects a tax from wagering at all racetracks in the province. This tax is a percentage of the amount wagered and is, at present, set at seven percent with an additional two percent tax on triactor features. In 1968, the Ontario Government raised its pari-mutuel tax by one percent. At that time, it was stated that the extra one percent would be allocated to furthering the goals and requirements of Ontario's racing industry. This evolved in 1974 to the present rebate program. In 1981 a further one percent of the existing tax was rebated to the industry raising the level of the rebate to two percent and in the case of triactor features to four percent.

How was the agreement reached?

All areas of the horse racing and breeding industry in Ontario were consulted. The following associations provided input towards how the proposal would best serve the industry:

Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association/Ontario

Ontario Harness Horse Association
Canadian Standardbred Horse Society
Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association

Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society
National Association of Canadian Racetracks (Ontario Division)

Harness Tracks of Ontario

Agreement between the province and the industry was reached and the Improvement Program came into effect in 1974.

What is the purpose of the Improvement Program?

The Improvement Program serves four purposes:

1. to supplement purses paid to horse owners,
2. to improve the quality and quantity of racing stock in Ontario,
3. to fund equine research, and
4. to promote the Ontario-bred horse.

What was the dollar value of the program in 1994?

In 1993, the total amount wagered at race tracks in Ontario was \$1,031,089,206. Based on this figure, the value of the Improvement Program in 1994 was \$25,101,324, allocated as follows:

Standardbred Racing:	\$13,387,713
Thoroughbred Racing:	\$11,710,823
Quarter Horse Racing:	\$2,788
TOTAL	\$25,101,324

The amount returned to each segment of the industry is prorated according to the total dollars wagered. These funds are then apportioned to research, breeders' incentive programs, supplemental purse grants and publicity budgets.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TAX SHARING ARRANGEMENT

Equine Research

Under the 1994 program, The Guelph Centre for Equine Research at the University of Guelph was allocated funds for research projects.

Overnight Purse Supplements

This part of the program addresses purse levels in general through the distribution of overnight purse supplements. By supplementing purses paid to owners, the racing industry and the provincial government are encouraging the purchase of better racing stock and are helping to offset increasing operating costs which owners are experiencing.

In 1994, the Thoroughbred Industry received \$8,090,833 in overnight purse supplements and the Standardbred Industry received \$7,801,220.

Racing and Breeding Incentives

Through the racing and breeding incentives, rebate money is actively directed towards programs which will benefit the industry.

The Standardbred Program totaled \$5,421,186 in 1994 and included the Ontario Sires Stakes and Trillium Series purses, Breeders' Awards, and a Publicity Budget.

The Thoroughbred Program totaled \$3,467,500 and the Ontario Sires Stakes, a Publicity Budget and funding for major stakes purses.

The Ontario Sires Stakes Program

Established in 1974, the Ontario Standardbred Sires Stakes has proved to be one of the most successful government programs. It has reduced the outflow of Ontario capital to the United States for the purchase of yearlings, improved Ontario stock through economic incentives to breeders and increased employment in the racing industry.

In the Standardbred Program the Ontario Sires Stakes are a series of races with supplemented purses for two and three year old trotters and pacers at tracks across Ontario. It is a self-help program in which breeders, horsemen and tracks contribute to the purse through stallion levies, nomination and sustaining payments, starting fees and track fees.

1994 was the second full year of operation under a newly revamped Ontario Sires Stakes program for both two and three year-old horses. The races are split into two tiers – the Grassroots Series and the Gold Series. The average purse for the Grassroots Series was approximately \$40,000. The Gold Series was raced in eliminations and finals with an approximate purse for each of the finals soof \$100,000. Each category of horse (ie 2 year

old filly trot) raced a number of each of these series over the course of the summer.

In total there were 112 races (including eliminations and finals) which were contested in a total of 276 divisions. The total purse value of these races were \$7,378,321. Breeders' Awards of \$471,120 were distributed to the breeders of each of the top five horses in the Gold Series.

To be eligible to the Ontario Sires Stakes, foals must have been sired by a stallion standing in Ontario and registered with the program. These stallions must either be owned or leased by an Ontario resident. As a result, the number and quality of sires standing in Ontario has improved considerably which has led to the development of breeding establishments which are now competitive on a world class level.

Because of the success of the Standardbred venture, a similar program was launched in 1975 for Thoroughbreds. In 1994 there were ten Ontario Sires Stakes Thoroughbred races with a total purse value of \$812,250.

Trillium Series

In an effort to promote the development of the Standardbred broodmare band in Ontario, ten races for two-year-old fillies were established eight years ago. Five races each for trotters and pacers went for a total purse of \$694,940.

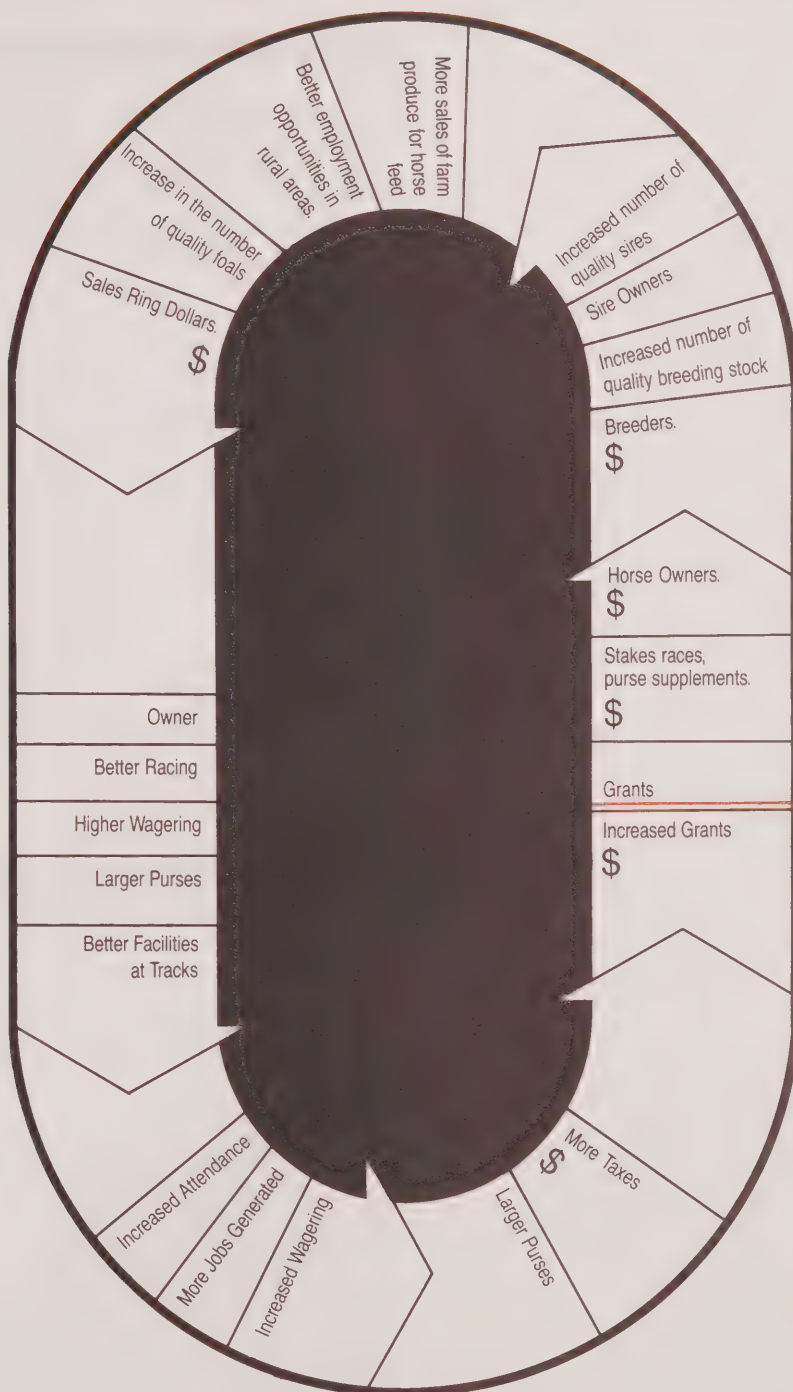
Thoroughbred Racing Incentives

Further assistance is allocated to the Thoroughbred industry through an incentive program for breeders which includes purse support to existing stakes to improve the sales appeal of Canadian-bred horses. In 1994, the total purse value of government supported stakes races was \$4,430,000. This figure includes Ontario Sires Stakes races but does not include starting fees to these races.

CONCLUSION

The Improvement Program is an excellent example of business and government working together to provide very tangible benefits to the residents of Ontario. Since its inception in 1974, this program has played a direct role in increasing employment in the racing industry, in helping small Ontario farms remain economically stable and, of course, in enhancing the enjoyment for the more than 5.5 million people who attend racing annually.

How the Program Stimulates Growth Within the Ontario Racing Industry



Improvement Program – 1994 Funding

Total 1993 Wagering

\$1,031,089,206

2% Of 1993 Wagering Handle:

Standardbred:

Supervised Tracks \$10,444,321

Unsupervised Tracks (Fairs) 8,642

Triactor Tax Rebate 2,934,750

Thoroughbred 10,166,034

Triactor Tax Rebate 1,544,789

Quarter Horse 2,788

Total 1994 Rebate \$25,101,324

1994 Standardbred Program

Equine Research 156,665

Overnight Purse Supplements 7,801,220

Ontario Sires Stakes 4,240,067

Trillium Series 380,000

Publicity Budget 330,000

Breeders' Award 471,119

Unsupervised Tracks Purse Grants 8,642

Total Standardbred Program 13,387,713

1994 Thoroughbred Program

Equine Research 152,490

Overnight Purse Supplements 8,090,833

Racing and Breeding Incentives 3,467,500

Total Thoroughbred Program 11,710,823

1994 Quarter Horse Program

2,788

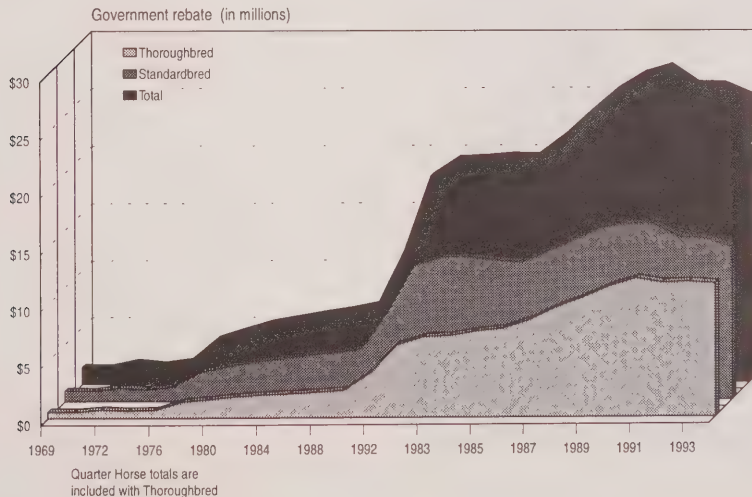
Total 1994 Assistance Program

\$25,101,324

Dollar Value Of The Improvement Program – 1968 To Present

Year	Standardbred Program	Thoroughbred Program	Quarter Horse Program	Program
1968	908,900	616,100		1,525,000
1969	930,438	570,269		1,500,707
1970	900,215	564,740		1,464,955
1971	1,175,877	774,168		1,950,045
1972	1,031,003	670,322		1,701,325
1973	1,266,493	747,010		2,013,503
1974	2,510,639	1,442,525		3,953,164
1975	3,027,349	1,662,351		4,689,700
1976	3,482,000	1,892,300		5,374,300
1977	3,711,000	2,030,100	4,300	5,745,400
1978	4,033,000	2,126,000	1,000	6,160,000
1979	4,249,000	2,250,000	1,000	6,500,000
1980	4,545,000	2,414,900	1,000	6,960,900
1981	7,736,000	3,942,000	2,000	11,680,000
1982	11,830,000	6,370,900	2,000	18,202,900
1983	12,604,000	7,092,000	2,000	19,698,000
1984	12,606,700	7,186,000	2,000	19,794,700
1985	12,370,200	7,579,400	1,648	19,951,248
1986	12,110,261	7,821,448	1,694	19,933,403
1987	13,048,446	8,574,346	2,793	21,625,585
1988	14,065,044	9,668,837	2,362	23,736,243
1989	15,129,484	10,516,099	2,822	25,648,405
1990	15,540,684	11,492,815	4,891	27,038,390
1991	15,496,549	12,194,895	6,698	27,698,142
1992	14,331,016	11,807,953	5,161	26,144,130
1993	14,186,216	11,890,239	3,722	26,080,177
1994	13,387,713	11,710,823	2,788	25,101,324

Improvement Program Funding



Thoroughbred Improvement Program



Photo: Michael Burns

1994 Thoroughbred Improvement Program

Allocation of Thoroughbred Improvement Program Funds

Total 1993 Thoroughbred Wagering	\$508,301,698
Provincial Rebate (2%)	\$10,166,034
Less 1.5% for Equine Research and Capital Fund	152,490
Balance	\$10,013,544
Add: Triactor Rebate	1,544,789
Balance available for Improvement Program	\$11,558,333
Overnight Purse Supplements (70%)	\$8,090,833
Racing & Breeding Incentives (30%)	\$3,467,500

1994 Program

The 1994 Thoroughbred Improvement Program rebated 2% of the total amount wagered at Ontario Thoroughbred race-tracks in 1993 to the industry in the form of racing and breeding incentives and overnight purse supplements. The Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society in conjunction with the Ontario Racing Commission determines the emphasis that the racing and breeding incentive program will take. Similarly, the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association in conjunction with the Ontario Racing Commission determine how the overnight purse supplements are to be distributed among the races.

The Thoroughbred Improvement Program was designed to showcase and improve Canadian-breds, enhance thoroughbred racing in Ontario, encourage breeding to stallions standing in the province and to foster investment at Ontario thoroughbred sales and in Canadian-breds in general.

Support of the regular program of racing through overnight purse supplements assists with the rising costs of horse ownership and offers encouragement for Canadian-breds which are not of stakes calibre.

By giving strong emphasis to the Canadian-breds, the racing and breeding incentive program helps to enhance the money earning lines in pedigrees thus increasing the value of Canadian-breds. With a couple of exceptions, the minimum purse for a stakes race for Canadian-breds was \$100,000.

Allocation of Funds to Thoroughbred Stakes Races

Allocation of Funds to the Incentive Program

Stakes Supplements

6 Canadian-bred Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes		\$260,000
Fury Stakes	Maple Leaf Stakes	
Shady Well Stakes	Wonder Where Stakes	
Bison City Stakes	Princess Elizabeth Stakes	

13 Open Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes		\$425,000
Whimsical Stakes	Nassau Stakes	
Star Shoot Stakes	Natalma Stakes	
Seaway Stakes	Canadian Stakes	
Selene Stakes	My Dear Stakes	
Duchess Stakes	Mazarine Stakes	
Hendrie Handicap	Tattling Stakes	
Belle Mahone		

6 Canadian-bred Colt Stakes		\$270,000
Jacques Cartier Stakes	Plate Trial Stakes	
Achievement Stakes	Clarendon Stakes	
Queenston Stakes	Vandal Stakes	

4 Open Stakes		
Canadian Oaks	Connaught Cup Stakes	\$190,000
E. P. Taylor Stakes	Seagram Cup Stakes	

Ontario Sires Stakes

10 Stakes for O.S.S. eligible horses		\$530,000
Victoriana Stakes	Bunty Lawless Stakes	
Nandi Stakes	Sir Barton Stakes	
Shepperton Stakes	Kingarvie Stakes	
Bull Page Stakes	Lady Angela Stakes	
La Prevoyante Stakes	New Providence Stakes	

Ontario Breeders' Improvement Stakes

3 Canadian-bred Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes		\$90,000
Ontario Damsel Stakes		
Ontario Lassie Stakes		
Ontario Fashion Stakes		

3 Open Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes		\$220,000
Ontario Matron Stakes		
Ontario Debutante Stakes		
Ontario Colleen Stakes		

Filly Stakes

2 Two-Year-Old Stakes		\$60,000
Franfreluche Stakes (Canadian)	Glorious Song (Open)	
1 Three-Year-Old Stakes		\$30,000
Jammed Lovely Stakes		

Sales Stakes

6 Yearling Sales Stakes for Canadian-breds		
Muskoka Stakes	Algoma	\$450,000
Simcoe Stakes	Halton Stakes	
Elgin Stakes	Kenora Stakes	

Juvenile Stakes (CTHS Two Year Old in Training Sales Stakes - Colt & Filly Divisions)		\$50,000
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Breeders Awards for Canadian-breds		\$500,000
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Owners Awards for Ontario-breds		\$310,000
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Canadian-bred Promotion Program		\$82,500
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Total Allocation of Funds to the Incentive Program		\$3,467,500
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1994 Thoroughbred Incentive Program by Division

	Number Races	of Div.	Track Added Added \$	Government Added Added \$	Total \$
Ontario Sires Stakes (not including entry fees)					
2 y/o	1	1	22,000	53,000	185,000
2 y/o Fillies	1	1	22,000	53,000	100,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	22,000	53,000	100,000
3 y/o Fillies	2	2	44,000	106,000	200,000
3 y/o Colts And Geldings	1	1	22,000	53,000	85,000
3 y/o & Upwards	3	3	66,000	106,000	285,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	1	1	44,000	53,000	100,000
Total Ontario Sires Stakes	10	10	220,000	530,000	750,000
Canadian-bred Stakes					
2 y/o	2	2	50,000	85,000	135,000
2 y/o Fillies	5	5	135,000	245,000	380,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	25,000	75,000	100,000
3 y/o	3	3	80,000	170,000	250,000
3 y/o Fillies	6	6	255,000	235,000	490,000
3 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	25,000	75,000	100,000
3 y/o & Upwards	2	2	50,000	150,000	200,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	3	3	80,000	140,000	220,000
4 y/o & Upwards	1	1	45,000	15,000	60,000
Total Canadian-bred Stakes	24	24	745,000	1,190,000	1,935,000
Supplemental Stakes					
2 y/o Fillies	6	7	155,000	270,000	425,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	15,000	25,000	40,000
3 y/o Fillies	4	4	145,000	165,000	310,000
3 y/o & Upwards	1	1	35,000	25,000	60,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	5	5	375,000	205,000	580,000
4 y/o & Upwards	1	1	55,000	5,000	60,000
4 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	4	4	110,000	160,000	270,000
Total Supplemental Stakes	22	23	890,000	855,000	1,745,000
Total Racing Incentive Program	56	57	1,855,000	2,575,000	4,430,000

Supplemental Purse Grant Assistance To Overnight Events

1994 Breakdown

	Wagering \$ 1993	% of Wagering	1994 Overnight Purse Supplement \$
Woodbine	341,795,306	67.25%	8,090,833
Greenwood	89,463,621	17.60%	
Fort Erie	77,042,771	15.15%	
	508,301,698	100.00%	8,090,833

1971 through 1994

Year	Amount
1971	774,168
1972	630,322
1973	747,010
1974	1,104,420
1975	1,233,638
1976	1,406,100
1977	1,509,450
1978	1,581,500
1979	1,674,750
1980	1,678,900
1981	1,969,080
1982	4,282,700
1983	4,861,000
1984	4,956,900
1985	5,298,200
1986	5,404,962
1987	5,925,281
1988	6,681,338
1989	7,266,325
1990	7,940,730
1991	8,425,833
1992	8,158,351
1993	8,215,627
1994	8,090,833

Ontario Sires Stakes

The Ontario Sires Stakes are a series of ten races restricted to progeny of stallions standing in the Province of Ontario and registered with the program at the Ontario Racing Commission. The stallion must also be owned or leased by an Ontario resident. A popular bonus of this program is that although you must breed to an Ontario stallion, the foal does not have to be Canadian-bred to run in these races. This benefits the stallion owner by attracting out-of-province mares because regardless of where the foal is dropped, it is eligible to these races.

Breakdown of the 1994 Thoroughbred Ontario Sires Stakes

Date	Ontario Sires Stakes	Track Money Added	Gov't Money Added	Starting Fees	Total Purse
May 7	3 Y/O Fillies <i>Lady Angela Stakes</i>	\$22,000	\$53,000	\$6,750	\$81,750
May 21	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>New Providence Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	6,000	81,000
July 4	3 Y/O & Upwards Fillies & Mares <i>Victoriana Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	3,000	78,000
July 9	2 Y/O Fillies <i>Nandi Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	6,000	81,000
Aug. 6	2 Y/O Colts & Geldings <i>Bull Page Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	7,500	82,500
Aug. 7	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>Shepperton Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	6,000	81,000
Oct. 8	3 Y/O Fillies <i>La Prevoyante Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	9,750	84,750
Oct. 22	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>Bunty Lawless Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	10,500	85,500
Nov. 121	3 Y/O Colts & Geldings <i>Sir Barton Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	5,250	80,250
Dec. 8	2 Y/O <i>Kingarvie Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	7,500	82,500
Total		\$220,000	\$530,000	\$68,250	\$818,250

Thoroughbred Stallions

Stallions Registered For Ontario Sires Stakes Program

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
Thoroughbred	99	93	81	69	68

Ontario Sires Stakes – Year End Statistics

Leading Stallions

Bold Ruckus	\$161,430
Ascot Knight	78,930
Commemorate	66,900
Great Gladiator	64,800
Steady Growth	60,038
Silver Deputy	58,327
Regal Intention	49,500
Briartic	48,600
Regal Classic	48,150
No Louder	38,385
Vice Regent	27,975
Brave Shot (GB)	17,985
Dauphin Fabuleux	17,100
Cool Victor	16,200
Cougars Crown	13,755
Alwasmi	9,322
Artichoke	8,992
Avies Copy	4,950
Varick	4,950
Bold Revenue	4,860
Saunders	4,860
Buckley Boy	4,815
Secret Claim	2,543
Bold Executive	2,453
Geiger Counter	2,430
Cognizant	5,610

\$818,250

Leading Owners

F. Stronach	\$85,900
Mr. and Mrs. D.G. McClelland	66,900
Minshall Farms	65,400
Kinghaven Farms & R.Ferguson	50,850
Augustin Stable	49,500
Dominion Bloodstock, R.Buchanan & Partner, A.McPherson	49,500
Peter DiPasquale	49,050
Charles Burgess	48,600
G.Kenny, B.O'Leary, B.Mockler & G.Schickedanz	48,600
Hamner Kopf Farm, J. Corrente & Partner	48,150
Sam-Son Farm	33,300
T.W. Webb	17,100
J. Franks	16,500
J. Schmid	16,200
P.E.L. Racing Stable	16,200
Diplomat Stable and Partner	9,405
December Hill Farm	9,322
Brenworth Farm and Crown Crest	9,075
Greenoaks Farm	9,075
T.Kovacevic, F.Peotto & H.Grenn	8,992
Bruno Schickedanz	8,910
Joy E. Curpler	8,910
Ridge Rock Farm	8,910
Regency Stable	8,827
J. Sikura and Partner	8,580
Knob Hill Stable	7,290
F. Huarte	5,085
P., N. and P. Boissonneault	4,950
R.A. Marcello Racing Stable	4,950
Eaton Hall Farm	4,905
Angus McArthur	4,860
P. Marshall	4,860
R. Grimers and G. Andreadis	4,815
Commanders Crown Stable	4,680
Gulf Racing N.A.	2,565
M.Hayward, J.Sharman & H.Jayawardena	2,543
Robyn's Nest Farm	2,475
Silverbrook Stable	2,475
T. Smith	2,453
G.J. Meyers	2,430
J.B.S. Racing Stable	2,430
Kinghaven Farms	2,408

\$818,250

Yearling Sales Statistics

As a major indicator of the health of the industry, statistics on sales ring activity can be used to gauge business trends and the effect of the improvement program funds. The increase in value of the Thoroughbred stakes program as a result of the government rebate program has had the effect of improving the pedigrees of Canadian-bred and Ontario-sired horses which in turn improves their marketability and performance in the sales.

Canadian Breeders Sales

Canadian Breeders Sales, the province's major Thoroughbred sales company, benefits from the improvement program through six stakes restricted to sales graduates. This promotes the sale and increases the earning potential of horses that pass through the sales ring.

Yearling Sales Statistics

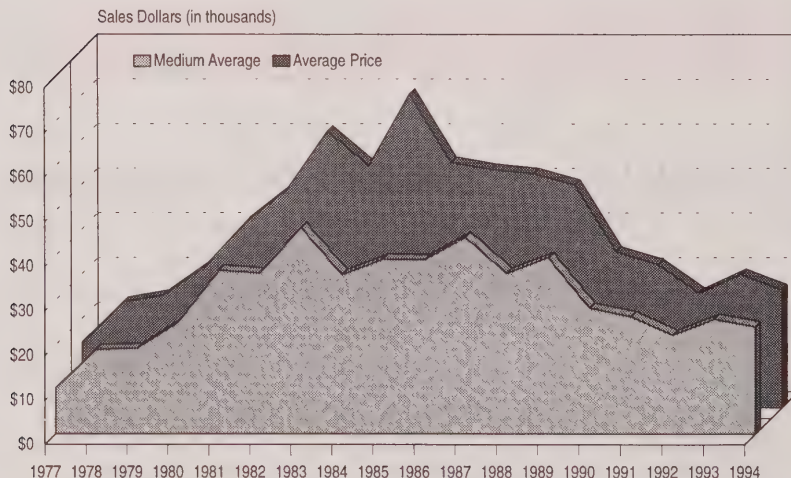
September Yearling Sale - Selected Canadian-breds

Year	Sold	Gross	Average	% Change from Prior Year	Median	Median Average*
1980	202	6,389,000	31,629	25.6%		25,033
1981	231	9,598,700	41,553	31.4%		36,714
1982	233	11,358,500	48,749	17.3%		36,120
1983	218	13,499,000	61,922	27.0%	40,000	46,259
1984	211	11,424,500	54,145	-12.6%	25,000	35,716
1985	189	13,273,000	70,228	29.7%	33,000	39,179
1986	201	11,032,000	54,886	-21.8%	35,000	39,062
1987	233	12,418,000	53,296	-2.9%	37,000	44,120
1988	206	10,785,500	52,357	-1.8%	30,000	36,051
1989	216	10,760,000	49,815	-4.9%	35,000	39,586
1990	183	6,383,000	34,880	-29.9%	25,000	28,286
1991	138	4,424,700	32,063	-8.1%	23,000	26,400
1992	154	3,948,900	25,642	-20.0%	20,000	22,257
1993	149	4,452,500	29,883	16.5%	23,000	25,790
1994	116	3,056,900	26,353	-11.8%	20,000	24,120

* Median Average = median price excluding the top 10% and the bottom 10%

Yearling Sales Averages

September Yearling Sale



September Yearling Sale - Selected Canadian-breds

Year	Top 50 Sold		Top 50 Ontario-Sired	
	Sales \$	Average	Sales \$	Average
1980	4,015,000	80,300	2,818,000	56,360
1981	5,123,000	102,460	3,391,000	67,820
1982	5,930,000	118,600	3,440,000	68,800
1983	7,906,000	158,120	3,792,000	75,840
1984	7,462,000	149,240	2,856,000	57,120
1985	9,571,000	191,420	2,408,000	48,160
1986	6,823,000	136,460	3,134,000	62,680
1987	6,395,000	127,900	3,617,000	72,340
1988	6,709,000	134,180	2,632,000	52,640
1989	5,771,000	115,420	3,124,000	62,480
1990	3,749,000	74,980	1,724,000	34,480
1991	3,057,000	61,140	1,590,500	31,810
1992	2,501,500	50,030	1,728,500	34,570
1993	2,687,000	53,740	1,827,500	36,550
1994	2,137,000	42,740	1,449,500	28,990

Performance of Ontario Sires

1994 September Yearling Sale

Stallion	Stud Fee	No. Sold	Total
Ascot Knight	6,500	2	73,000
Avies Copy	2,500	1	20,000
Bold Executive	3,500	4	52,500
Bold Revenue	2,500	3	26,500
Bold Ruckus	15,000	5	201,000
Brave Shot (GB)	4,000	1	25,000
Briartic	6,000	1	23,000
Cool Victor	2,500	2	35,500
Damasca Dan	2,000	1	30,000
Geiger Counter	5,000	9	175,500
Granacus	5,000	1	5,500
Home At Last	5,000	1	20,000
Great Gladiator	7,500	3	64,000
Mythical Ruler	5,000	1	14,500
Regal Classic	12,500	7	209,500
Regal Intention	7,500	11	212,700
Secret Claim	2,500	2	23,000
Silver Deputy	2,500	4	152,000
Steady Growth	4,000	1	17,600
Tralos	1,500	7	128,700
Varick	5,000	1	17,000
Vice Regent	30,000	2	94,000
Average Stud Fee:	\$6,250		
No. Sold:	70		
Total Sales:	\$1,615,400		
Average:	\$23,077		

Highest Prices at the September Yearling Sale

Yearlings which sold for \$55,000 and more

\$115,000	dk.b./br.c. by Afleet - Remote Ruler by King Emperor (consigned by Anderson Farms) - bought by Kingsbrook Farm
\$ 80,000	dk.b./br.f. by Halo - Canadian Envoy by Deputy Minister (consigned by Windfields Farm) - bought by William R. Hodgson
\$ 67,000	dk.b./br.f. by Silver Deputy - Bone China by Shecky Green (consigned by Charlene Smith, agent) - bought by R.A. Marcello
\$ 65,000	ch.f. by His Majesty - Conquering Angel by Conquistador Cielo (consigned by D.G. McClelland) - bought by Peter Chiodo
\$ 65,000	b.f. by With Approval - Tarage by Vice Regent (consigned by Anderson Farms) - bought by Kinghaven Farms
\$ 60,000	dk.b./br.f. by Bold Ruckus - Dear Irish by Irish Castle (consigned by Cave Spring Par-A-Dise Inc. for M. & M. Plekan) - bought by Josham Farms Ltd.
\$ 56,000	b.f. by Tricky Creek - Beau's Barb by Maribeau (consigned by Michael C. Byrne, agent) - bought by Anthony Goswell, agent
\$ 55,000	dk.b./br.f. by Personal Flag - Polo by Forli (consigned by Michael C. Byrne, agent for Park Stud) - bought by Sam-Son Farm
\$ 55,000	b.f. by Ascot Knight - Praise Her by Assert (Ire) (consigned by Hill 'n' Dale Farms, agent) - bought by M. Benson, agent

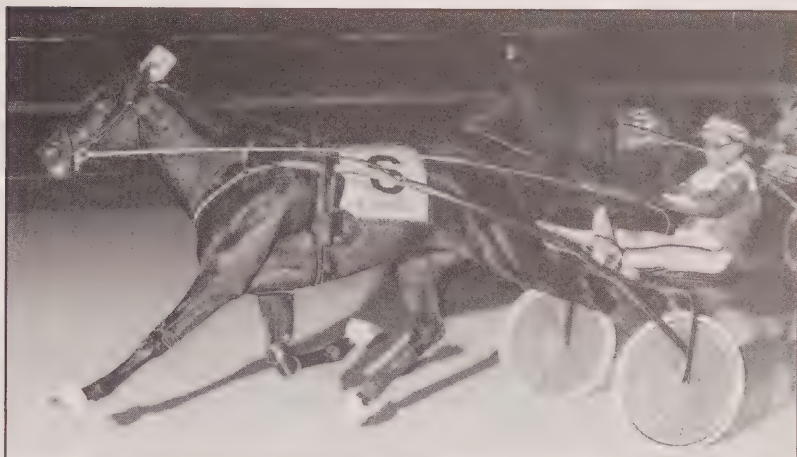
Horses Purchased by Out-Of-Province Buyers

In 1994 the number of horses purchased by out-of-province buyers from the October Breeding Sale, October Yearling Sale and September Yearling Sale in Toronto was 37, for a total value of \$792,600.

The sustained support of foreign buyers indicates the attractiveness of the "made in Canada" product.

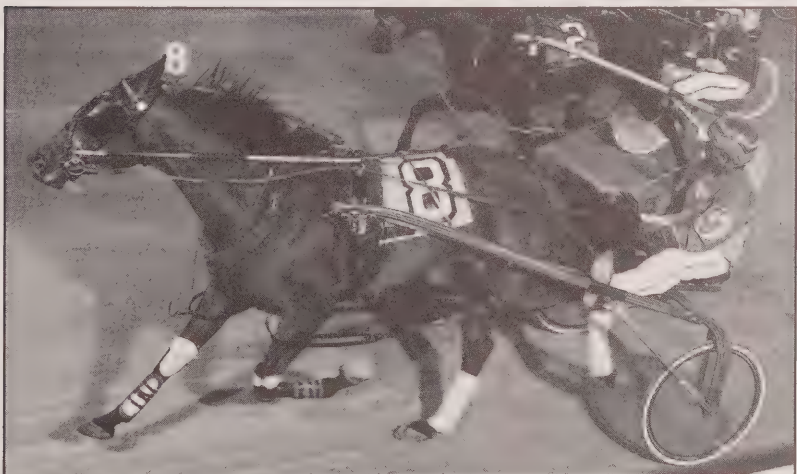
	No. Sold	\$ Value
Canada (outside Ontario)	7	97,000
United States	29	651,600
Overseas	1	44,000
Total	37	792,600

Standardbred Improvement Programs



Eager Seelster was the first Ontario Sires Stakes Two-year-old to win a Breeders Crown. In doing so the Worthy Bowl colt established a Canadian and track record.

Photo: Brian Smiley



Elegant Killeen was the top Ontario Sires Stakes Two-year-old Pacer with O.S.S. earnings of \$171,204, winning the O'Brien award for her age and category.

Photo: Rodney L. Denis

1994 Standardbred Improvement Program

Allocation of Standardbred Improvement Program Funds

Total 1993 Standardbred Wagering - Supervised Tracks	\$522,216,027
Provincial Rebate (2% of wagering handle)	\$10,444,321
Less: 1.5% of Rebate for Equine Research and Wellness Assurance Fund	(156,665)
Balance	10,287,656
Add: Triactor Rebate	2,934,750
Balance available for Improvement Program including Triactor Rebate	\$13,222,406
Overnight Purse Supplements (59%)	\$7,801,220
1994 Racing and Breeding Incentives (41%)	\$5,421,186
Less: Trillium Series	(380,000)
Publicity and Promotion Budget	(330,000)
Balance Available for the Ontario Sires Stakes	\$4,711,186

Overnight Purse Supplements

Grants To Increase Purses Other Than Stakes Races

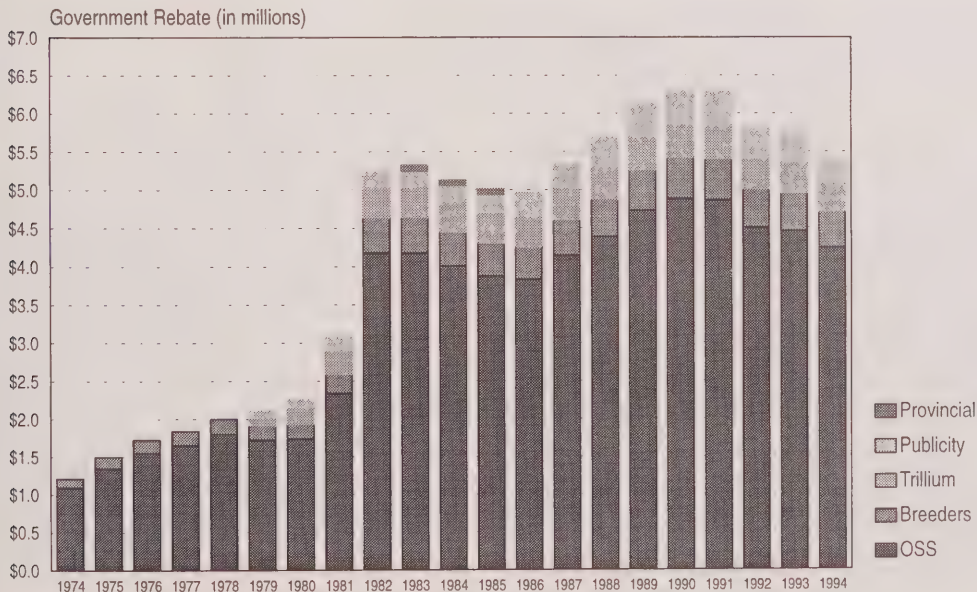
1971 through 1994

Track	Total 1994 Overnight Purse Supplements	Year	Amount
CLASS I		1971	\$1,175,877
Ontario Jockey Club	\$3,650,466	1972	1,031,003
Windsor	948,996	1973	1,266,493
CLASS II		1974	1,266,493
Flamboro Downs	651,882	1975	1,497,391
Rideau Carleton	395,604	1976	1,724,750
CLASS III		1977	1,839,250
Western Fair	457,247	1978	2,000,000
Barrie	276,349	1979	2,108,000
Orangeville	106,286	1980	2,256,000
Elmira	281,603	1981	4,602,000
Hiawatha	218,466	1982	6,362,000
Sudbury Downs	237,829	1983	7,174,000
Kawartha Downs	132,404	1984	7,377,200
CLASS IV		1985	7,254,650
Kingston Park	93,343	1986	7,007,561
Dresden	95,470	1987	7,550,792
Woodstock	78,862	1988	8,192,437
Belleville	77,375	1989	8,812,878
Hanover	69,551	1990	9,015,932
Clinton	29,487	1991	9,026,491
TOTAL	\$7,801,220	1992	8,347,375
		1993	8,265,285
		1994	7,801,220

Racing and Breeding Incentives - 1974 to present

Year	Ontario Sires Stakes Races	Breeders' Awards	Publicity and Promotion Budget	Trillium Series	Interprovincial Series	Total Incentives Program Funds
1974	1,091,156	121,240				1,212,396
1975	1,347,652	149,739				1,497,391
1976	1,552,275	172,475				1,724,750
1977	1,655,325	183,925				1,839,250
1978	1,800,000	200,000				2,000,000
1979	1,721,700	191,300	89,600	105,400		2,108,000
1980	1,737,900	193,100	100,000	225,000		2,256,000
1981	2,332,128	259,072	170,000	306,800		3,068,000
1982	4,175,120	463,880	192,000	400,000		5,231,000
1983	4,173,800	463,700	210,000	400,000	75,000	5,322,500
1984	4,006,000	445,100	200,000	400,000	75,000	5,126,100
1985	3,873,818	430,432	235,000	400,000	75,000	5,014,250
1986	3,828,990	425,416	300,000	400,000		4,954,406
1987	4,144,861	460,520	315,000	420,000		5,340,381
1988	4,385,751	487,304	400,000	420,000		5,693,055
1989	4,728,784	525,420	430,000	440,000		6,124,204
1990	4,878,293	542,032	430,000	440,000		6,290,325
1991	4,862,382	540,265	430,000	440,000		6,272,647
1992	4,500,634	500,084	390,000	410,000		5,800,718
1993	4,458,312	495,360	380,000	410,000		5,743,672
1994	4,240,067	471,119	330,000	380,000		5,421,186

Racing and Breeding Incentives



Trillium Series

The Trillium Series is a program of five pacing races and five trotting races for two-year-old fillies. In 1994 the Series was contested for a total of \$694,940 in purses.

Restricted to fillies which are at least 75% owned by Ontario residents, the program was designed to encourage the purchase of well-bred fillies which would eventually enter the broodmare ranks in the province.

Fillies Nominated and Sustained

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
No. of Fillies Nominated					
Fillies	541	533	483	483	479
No. Of Fillies Sustained					
Pacers	291	282	265	259	251
Trotters	114	145	110	148	128

1994 Trillium Series For Ontario-owned Fillies

FASTEST MILES

Category	Year	Horse	Time	Track
1/2 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1992	Incredible Way	1:56.4	Flamboro
Trot:	1993	Lady Is A Pro Armbro Monarch	2:02.0	Western Fair
5/8 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1994	Glendale Kim	1:54.3	Kawartha
Trot:	1987	Cosmic Storm	1:59.1	Windsor
7/8 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1994	Hardie Hanover	1:56.3	Woodbine
Trot:	1994	Brylin Glory	2:01.3	Woodbine

Ontario Sires Stakes - Standardbred Stallions

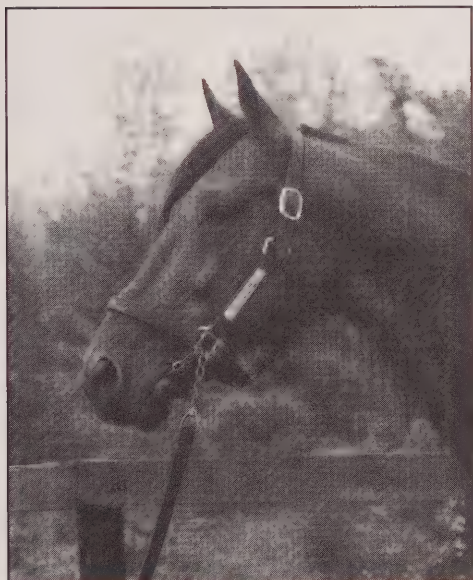
The foundation of the Ontario Sires Stakes program is the stallions registered with the Ontario Racing Commission. To be eligible to the program the stallion must be owned by an Ontario resident or leased to an Ontario resident for a period of not less than 5 years. Any foals resulting from a breeding to a registered stallion are eligible for nomination to the Ontario Sires Stakes.

Stallions Registered in the Ontario Sires Stakes Program

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
No. of Stallions	317	291	190	158	144

Leading Standardbred Stallions

	# of O.S.S. Starters	Starters' Earnings
Pacing Stallions		
Run The Table	66	\$1,113,098
Dexter Nukes	60	924,429
Threefold	40	338,200
Armbro Emerson	28	273,739
Armbro Getty	4	184,401
Trotting Stallions		
Balanced Image	62	\$1,220,108
Dream Of Glory	50	800,964
A Go Go Lauxmont	23	431,140
Worthy Bowl	43	378,875
Brisco Hanover	8	104,893



Balanced Image



Run The Table

Leading Ontario Sires Stakes Stallions of Two-Year-Olds

Stallion	No. of Starters	No. of Winners	No. of Wins			Fastest Win			Starters' Earnings	Largest Winner
			1/2	5/8	7/8	1/2	5/8	7/8		
Two Year Old Colt Pacers										
Run The Table	15	5	6	5	3	1:58.2	1:55.3	1:55.1	\$416,995	Rabbi Of Racing (\$193,017)
Dexter Nukes	9	4	5	3	1	1:57.2	1:56.3	1:56.2	\$155,243	Canadians Choice (\$74,657)
Gypsies Hellion	1	1	1	1		1:57.4	1:56.0		\$105,448	Gypper Lee (\$105,448)
Threefold	8	2	3			1:58.4			\$75,292	Patrick Seelster (\$58,929)
Topnotcher	11	2	2	1		2:00.1	1:58.3		\$43,292	Mattawa (\$14,560)
Two Year Old Filly Pacers										
Run The Table	16	5	5	5	2	1:58.2	1:57.1	1:56.2	\$363,668	Elegant Killeen (\$171,204)
Dexter Nukes	17	6	4	3	1	2:02.0	1:57.0	1:58.2	\$141,915	Joyce Seelster (\$82,828)
Threefold	7	3	3	1	1	2:01.2	2:01.0	1:57.3	\$107,489	Orilla TNT (\$73,852)
Totally Ruthless	8	2	3			2:03.1			\$78,146	Nines Wild (\$55,658)
Topnotcher	16	3	2	1		2:04.0	1:59.1		\$61,016	Rococo Solombre (\$29,603)
Two Year Old Colt Trotters										
Dream Of Glory	15	7	5	2	3	2:01.4	1:59.0	2:01.3	\$244,974	Armbo Norbert (\$130,909)
A Go Go Lauxmont	2	1	1	2		2:03.3	2:02.1		\$175,799	Going Smartly (\$142,942)
Balanced Image	17	4	2	2	3	2:02.1	2:02.3	2:00.0	\$158,787	Dell Ridge Image (\$93,966)
Worthy Bowl	10	2	1	2		2:02.3	2:00.4		\$109,770	Eager Seelster (\$59,309)
Revolver	2	1	1			2:10.0			\$58,035	Cosmic Revolution (\$56,018)
Two Year Old Filly Trotters										
Dream Of Glory	12	3	2	3	1	2:03.2	2:01.3	2:01.2	\$343,970	Glory Ordinaire (\$142,513)
Worthy Bowl	9	2	1	3	1	2:06.3	2:01.4	2:00.3	\$161,049	Brylin Glory (\$125,182)
Balanced Image	12	2	2		1	2:03.2		2:00.3	\$102,439	Goodtime Doll (\$42,732)
Face To Face	3	2	2	1		2:04.1	2:05.3		\$83,249	Divorce Attorney (\$73,452)
Armbo Bullet	2	1		1			2:07.0		\$49,068	Delphiri (\$34,443)

Leading Ontario Sires Stakes Stallions of Three-Year-Olds

Stallion	No. of Starters	No. of Winners	No. of Wins			Fastest Win			Starters' Earnings	Largest Winner
			1/2	5/8	7/8	1/2	5/8	7/8		
Three Year Old Colt Pacers										
Dexter Nukes	16	7	3	6	3	1:55.4	1:52.3	1:52.3	\$236,527	Armbro Maestro (\$162,503)
Armbro Getty	3	1	3	1	2	1:54.0	1:54.0	1:52.3	\$178,404	Mr G (\$175,402)
Armbro Emerson	6	2	1	2		1:55.4	1:54.0		\$113,442	Holidec (\$51,802)
Run The Table	15	2	1	1		1:59.2	1:57.4		\$109,939	Treecoscious (\$41,520)
Bomb Rickles	2	1	2			1:55.2			\$92,537	C B Flight (\$91,980)
Three Year Old Filly Pacers										
Dexter Nukes	18	8	8	9		1:55.3	1:55.0		\$390,744	Mystic Music (\$248,995)
Run The Table	20	7	5	3		2:00.3	1:55.0		\$202,506	Heatherjeankilleen (\$120,306)
Armbro Emerson	10	2	1	3		1:58.3	1:55.3		\$128,537	Queens Arms (\$104,330)
Threefold	9	2	4			1:59.1			\$100,169	Threeforyourlady (\$60,242)
Castleton Success	4	1	1			1:58.0			\$32,327	Harem Success (\$27,291)
Three Year Old Colt Trotters										
Balanced Image	13	5	3	8	3	1:58.3	1:55.0	1:55.1	\$593,758	Armbro Marshall (\$250,347)
A Go Go Lauxmont	9	2	1	1		2:02.4	1:58.1		\$105,629	Midnight Playboy (\$64,711)
Dream Of Glory	11	3	4			1:59.4			\$91,950	Spencers Dream (\$52,209)
Worthy Bowl	13	1	1			2:03.1			\$43,075	Chelmark Nick (\$18,913)
Bridger	2	1	2			2:03.2			\$21,459	Buddys Buddy (\$17,556)
Three Year Old Filly Trotters										
Balanced Image	20	10	7	7	3	1:59.4	1:58.2	1:56.2	\$365,124	Caurina (\$159,266)
A Go Go Lauxmont	8	1	1	3		2:03.0	1:57.2		\$136,171	Go To The Top (\$108,756)
Dream Of Glory	12	3	2	1	1	2:00.4	2:00.2	1:59.1	\$120,070	Child Star (\$59,860)
Orbell G G	4	2	4			2:05.1			\$66,521	Hams Delight (\$34,919)
Worthy Bowl	11								\$64,981	Tanya Seelster (\$26,358)

Ontario Sires Stakes

The Ontario Sires Stakes program was established in 1974 and consists of a series of races for two and three year old trotters and pacers. The program was designed to improve the Ontario Standardbred by providing incentives for breeders and owners to invest their capital in an Ontario product.

Eligibility to the Ontario Sires Stakes is restricted to progeny of stallions standing in the province and registered with the Ontario Racing Commission. Yearlings must then be nominated by May 15th of their yearling year and sustained to race either as two-year-olds or three-year-olds. Nominating and sustaining fees are collected and then distributed together with the Improvement Program Funds in the form of purses.

Horses Nominated and Sustained

No. of Horses Nominated

Year	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
O.S.S. Number	#19	#20	#21	#22	#23
Colts	1200	1177	1052	921	904
Fillies	1116	1122	1050	906	900
Total	2316	2299	2102	1827	1804

No. of Horses Sustained

O.S.S. Number	#17	#18	#18	#19	#19	#20	#20	#21	#21	#22
Colts	481	670	533	662	421	662	482	603	443	543
Fillies	459	580	504	573	475	565	404	556	402	513
Total	940	1250	1037	1235	896	1227	886	1159	845	1056

Ontario Sires Stakes – Race Records

Ontario Sires Stakes Race Records (1974–1994)

with World Record Comparisons

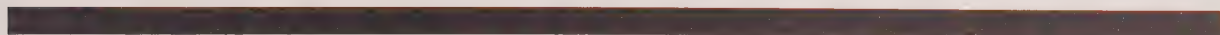
with World Record Comparisons					World Record		1974 OSS Records	
Category	Year	Horse	Time	Track	Horse	Time	Horse	Time
1/2 Mile Tracks								
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1994	Mr G	1:54.0	Elmira	Falcon Seelster	1:51.0	Terry Parker	2:04.1
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1993	Classic Wish	1:54.1	Flamboro Downs	Towners Image	1:52.3	Merrywood Sara	2:03.0
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1994	Armbro Marshall	1:58.3	Flamboro Downs	American Winner	1:56.2	Dart Camp	2:08.3
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1986	Nadirs Pride	1:59.1	Dresden	Peace Corps	1:56.0	Shoein	2:08.0
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1993	C B Flight	1:56.1	Western Fair	Tooter Scooter/W R H/Easter Sun Hanna	1:54.1	Hotspurs Honour	2:07.3
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1994	Elegant Killeen	1:58.2	Flamboro Downs	L Dee's Trish/Dawn Q	1:55.4	Western Kate	2:08.0
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1993	Armbro Marshall	1:59.3	Barrie	Royal Troubador/Airies Canada	1:58.1	Oakhurst Sargent	2:10.1
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1992	Suspicious Image	2:02.2	Western Fair	Lizzie Lee Brook / Kindava Hush	1:59.0	Shawland Belle	2:09.1
5/8 Mile Tracks								
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1994	Delayed Decision	1:52.3	Mohawk	Riyadh	1:50.1	Armbro Odyssey	2:02.3
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1993	Jo Car Lyn	1:54.1	Greenwood	Miss Easy	1:52.2	Merrywood Sara	2:01.0
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1994	Woodman	1:55.0	Mohawk	Mack Lobell	1:54.1	Dart Camp	2:05.1
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1986	Nadirs Pride	1:57.1	Kawartha Downs	Expressway Hanover	1:55.4	Mia Herbert	2:05.3
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1989	Apaches Fame	1:54.1	Windsor	Artsplace	1:51.1	Pat's Bye Bye	2:05.0
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1994	Joyce Seelster	1:57.0	Windsor	Central Park West/Hardie Hanover	1:53.3	Epiphany	2:05.4
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1993	Airies Canada	1:58.1	Greenwood	King Couch	1:56.2	Delvin Herbert	2:07.0
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1992	Suspicious Image	1:59.3	Greenwood	Peace Corps	1:57.1	Shawland Belle	2:09.3
7/8 Mile Tracks								
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1994	Mr G/Armbro Maestro	1:52.3	Woodbine	Pacific Rocket	1:51.0		
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1994		1:52.3		Hardie Hanover	1:51.3		
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1994	Armbro Marshall	1:58.3	Woodbine	Bye Tsem	1:55.1		
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1994	Image Of A Clear Day	1:59.1	Woodbine	Image Of A Clear Day	1:56.2		
		Casurina	1:59.1		Casurina	1:56.2		
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1994	Rabbi Of Racing	1:56.1	Woodbine	Jennas Beach Boy	1:51.4		
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1994	Eddliriousness	1:58.2	Woodbine	Cape Mattered	1:55.0		
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1994	Dell Ridge Image	1:59.3	Woodbine	Eager Seelster	1:58.3		
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1994	Goodtime Doll/Brylin Glory	2:02.2	Woodbine	Lookout Victory	1:57.2		

Divisional Leading Money Winners

		Ontario Sires Stakes Earnings	Total 1993 Earnings	Lifetime Record
Three Year Old Colt Pace	Mr. G (Armbo Getty)	\$176,402	\$218,023	1:52.3S
	Armbo Maestro (Dexter Nukes)	162,503	250,633	1:52.0S
	C B Flight (Bomb Rickles)	91,980	123,985	1:52.2S
	Banting (Willow Wiper)	80,059	139,159	1:52.4S
	Holidec (Armbo Emerson)	51,802	92,508	1:54.1F
Three Year Old Filly Pace	Mystic Music (Dexter Nukes)	\$248,995	\$287,934	1:55.0F
	Heatherjeankilleen (Run The Table)	120,305	139,797	1:55.0F
	Queens Arms (Armbo Emerson)	104,330	172,015	1:54.4F
	Threeforyourlady (Threefold)	60,242	81,222	1:54.4F
	Lobro Xanadu (Dexter Nukes)	28,800	40,400	1:53.4S
Three Year Old Colt Trot	Armbo Marshal (Balanced Image)	\$250,347	\$411,025	1:55.1S
	Goodtimes (Balanced Image)	120,757	208,471	1:55.4F
	Glorys Comet (Balanced Image)	119,212	245,284	1:56.0S
	Midnight Playboy (A Go Go Lauxmont)	64,711	96,676	1:58.1F
	Spencers Dream (Dream Of Glory)	52,209	62,782	1:59.4H
Three Year Old Filly Trot	Casurina (Balanced Image)	\$159,266	\$232,183	1:55.4M
	Go To The Top (A Go Go Lauxmont)	108,756	110,766	1:57.2F
	Acadian Beauty (Armbo Acadian)	64,693	75,368	2:00.3F
	Jailhouse Rock (Balanced Image)	63,179	196,150	1:59.3F
	Child Star (Dream Of Glory)	59,860	89,462	2:00.1F
Two Year Old Colt Pace	Rabbi Of Racing (Run The Table)	\$193,017	\$259,232	1:55.1S
	Gypper Lee (Gypsies Hellion)	105,448	153,588	1:56.0F
	Canadians Choice (Dexter Nukes)	74,657	80,657	1:56.2S
	Dawson Creek (Run The Table)	68,507	77,347	1:54.4S
	Patrick Seelster (Threefold)	58,929	68,901	1:57.4F
Two Year Old Filly Pace	Elegant Killeen (Run The Table)	\$171,204	\$283,187	1:54.4F
	Joyce Seelster (Dexter Nukes)	82,828	92,483	1:57.0F
	Deeliriousness (Run The Table)	79,673	85,676	1:56.2S
	Orillia TNT (Threefold)	73,852	99,157	1:57.3S
	Nines Wild (Totally Ruthless)	55,658	72,038	2:03.1H
Two Year Old Colt Trot	Going Smartly (A Go Go Lauxmont)	\$142,942	\$156,431	2:01.3F
	Armbo Norbert (Dream Of Glory)	130,909	161,023	1:59.0F
	Dell Ridge Image (Balanced Image)	93,966	137,519	1:59.4F
	Eager Seelster (Worthy Bowl)	59,309	295,694	1:58.3S
	Cosmic Revolution (Revolver)	56,309	63,807	2:03.2H
Two Year Old Filly Trot	Glory Ordinaire (Dream Of Glory)	\$142,513	\$168,586	2:01.2F
	Brylin Glory (Worthy Bowl)	125,182	216,894	1:59.2F
	Divorce Attorney (Face To Face)	73,452	83,152	2:04.1H
	Tantallon Jewel (Dream Of Glory)	53,585	58,340	2:02.1F
	Goodtime Doll (Balanced Image)	42,732	84,585	2:00.3S

Summary of the 1994 Racing Program

	No. of Races		No. of Divisions			Nominating	Sustaining	Start	Track
	Gold	GR	Gold	CH	GR	Total	Fees	Fees	Fees
OSS 21 – Three Year Old Program									
3 Y/O Colt Pace	5	5	15	23	43	15,331.25	170,400.00	137,020.00	127,500.00
3 Y/O Filly Pace	5	5	14	23	42	15,331.25	146,400.00	137,450.00	127,500.00
3 Y/O Colt Trot	5	3	10	9	24	15,331.26	95,400.00	118,220.00	117,500.00
3 Y/O Filly Trot	5	3	15	11	31	15,331.26	94,800.00	122,380.00	117,500.00
Total	20	16	54	66	140	61,325.02	507,000.00	515,070.00	490,000.00
OSS 22 – Two Year Old Program									
2 Y/O Colt Pace	5	5	16	22	43	11,987.50	138,400.00	133,290.00	127,500.00
2 Y/O Filly Pace	5	5	15	26	46	11,987.50	138,000.00	130,580.00	127,500.00
2 Y/O Colt Trot	5	3	13	6	24	11,987.49	78,800.00	119,360.00	117,500.00
2 Y/O Filly Trot	5	3	12	6	23	11,987.49	67,200.00	122,180.00	117,500.00
Total	20	16	56	60	136	47,949.98	422,400.00	505,410.00	490,000.00
Total OSS 21 & OSS 22	40	32	110	126	276	109,275.00	929,400.00	1,020,480.00	980,000.00
Trillium Series									
2 Y/O Filly Pace	5		12		12	31,733.75	75,300.00	51,900.00	37,500.00
2 Y/O Filly Trot	5		12		12	16,166.25	38,400.00	39,950.00	24,000.00
Total	10		24		24	47,900.00	113,700.00	91,850.00	61,500.00
Total Racing Program	50	32	134	126	260	157,175.00	1,104,100.00	1,112,330.00	1,041,500.00
Future Program									
OSS 22									
1/2 1993 Yearling Nominations						47,950.00			
OSS 23									
1994 Yearling Nominations						100,100.00			
Program Grand Total	50	32	134	126	260	305,225.00	1,104,100.00	1,112,330.00	1,041,500.00

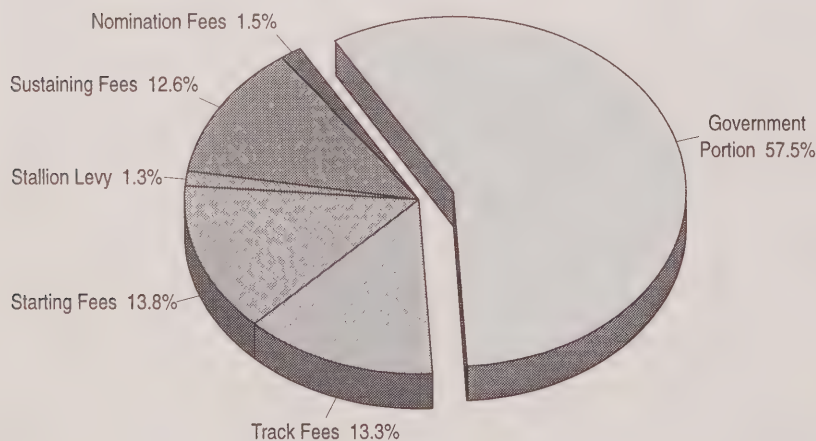


Government Grant (Net Breeders' Awards)	Stallion Levy to Grassroots	Gold	Purse Grassroots	Total	Breeder's Awards Gold Events only	Total Program
532,237.50	13,336.25	784,745.00	211,080.00	995,825.00	58,890.00	1,054,715.00
532,235.85	11,457.90	767,046.00	203,329.00	970,375.00	58,890.00	1,029,265.00
527,749.34	7,466.40	764,972.00	116,695.00	881,667.00	58,890.00	940,557.00
527,748.29	7,419.45	769,937.00	115,242.00	885,179.00	58,890.00	944,069.00
2,119,970.98	39,380.00	3,086,700.00	646,346.00	3,733,046.00	235,560.00	3,968,606.00
557,261.30	19,501.80	753,986.00	208,930.00	962,916.00	58,890.00	1,021,806.00
557,263.15	19,445.45	750,105.00	209,664.00	959,769.00	58,890.00	1,018,659.00
557,282.22	11,103.63	749,093.00	117,411.00	866,504.00	58,890.00	925,394.00
557,285.31	9,469.08	739,616.00	116,470.00		58,890.00	914,976.00
2,119,995.06	59,519.96	2,992,800	652,475.00	3,645,275.00	235,560.00	3,880,835.00
4,239,966.04	99,199.96	6,079,500	1,298,821.00	7,378,321.00	471,120.00	7,849,441.00
189,996.25		386,430.00		386,430.00		386,430.00
189,993.75		308,510.00		308,510.00		308,510.00
379,990.00		694,940.00		694,940.00		694,940.00
4,619,956.04	99,199.96	6,774,440.00	1,298,821.00	8,073,261.00	471,120.00	8,544,381.00
						47,950.00
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4,619,956.04	99,199.96	6,774,440.00	1,298,821.00	8,073,261.00	471,120.00	8,692,431.00

Composition of Ontario Sires Stakes and Trillium Purses

	\$	%
Ontario Sires Stakes #21 & # 22		
Total Nomination Fees	\$109,275.00	1.5%
Total Sustaining Fees	929,400.00	12.6%
Starting Fees	1,020,480.00	13.8%
Track Portion	980,000.00	13.3%
Stallion Levy (to Grassroot Series Purses)	99,199.96	1.3%
Government Portion of Purses	4,239,966.04	57.5%
Total Ontario Sires Stakes Purses	\$7,378,321.00	100.0%
Breeders' Awards	\$471,120.00	
Total Ontario Sires Stakes Program	\$7,849,441.00	
Trillium Series		
Total Nomination Fees	47,900.00	6.9%
Total Sustaining Fees	113,700.00	16.4%
Starting Fees	91,850.00	13.2%
Track Portion	61,500.00	8.8%
Government Portion of Purses	379,990.00	54.7%
Total Trillium Purses	\$694,940.00	100.0%
Total Standardbred Program	\$8,544,381.00	

Composition of Ontario Sires Stakes Purses



Yearling Sales Statistics

Canadian Classic Yearling Sale

Canadian Standardbred Horse Society

Year	Top 50 Sold		% change	Top 50 Ontario-sired		% change
	Sales \$	Average		Sales \$	Average	
1985	1,720,000	34,400	3.3%	1,659,000	33,180	11.4%
1986	2,002,000	40,040	16.4%	1,528,000	30,560	-7.9%
1987	2,164,000	43,280	8.1%	2,020,000	40,400	32.2%
1988	1,828,000	36,560	-15.5%	1,651,000	33,020	-18.3%
1989	1,515,000	30,300	-17.1%	1,383,000	27,660	-16.2%
1990	1,270,500	25,410	-16.1%	1,039,000	20,780	-24.8%
1991	1,389,500	27,790	9.4%	1,326,500	26,530	27.8%
1992	1,349,500	26,990	-2.8%	1,231,500	24,630	-7.1%
1993	1,464,000	29,280	8.5%	1,353,000	27,060	9.8%
1994	1,716,000	34,320	17.2%	1,685,000	33,700	24.5%

Ontario Stallion Statistics

Canadian Classic Yearling Sale

Stallion	Stud Fee \$	No. Sold	Total \$	Average \$
A Go Go Lauxmont	1,000	3	13,900	4,633
Allwin Steady	750	1	4,500	4,500
Apaches Fame	2,000	10	154,000	15,400
Armbro Emerson	2,500	14	211,200	15,085
Balanced Image	10,000	27	671,200	24,859
Brisco Hanover	3,500	3	49,000	16,333
Cameleon	2,000	2	20,500	10,250
Coal Harbor	1,000	2	17,700	8,850
Dallas Almahurst	1,000	1	7,500	7,500
Devils Adversary	1,250	1	5,000	5,000
Dexter Nukes	4,000	29	471,500	16,258
Dream Of Glory	4,000	1	17,000	17,000
Easy Goer	2,500	8	110,400	13,800
Frugal Gourmet	1,900	3	39,500	13,166
Fundamentalist	1,000	1	11,500	11,500
Happy Paysak	1,500	1	3,200	3,200
Legal Notice	2,000	2	21,000	10,500
Lime Time	1,000	1	3,200	3,200
Merrilywerollalong	1,000	1	3,500	3,500
N V Worthy	1,500	2	12,200	6,100
Peculiar	1,000	1	6,000	6,000
Ralph Hanover	2,000	10	46,800	4,680
Revolver	1,000	1	4,000	4,000
Run The Table	7,000	35	693,200	19,805
Super Pleasure	4,000	20	423,200	21,160
Threefold	2,000	15	112,100	7,473
Topnotcher	3,000	8	46,800	5,850
Totally Ruthless	2,000	4	20,200	5,050
Unique Concept	1,000	1	3,500	3,500
Worthy Bowl	4,000	11	208,700	18,972
Average Stud Fee:	\$2,413	No. Sold at Sale:	255	
Average Sale Price:	\$15,529	Total Sales:	\$3,960,100	

1994 Standardbred Improvement Program - Unsupervised Tracks

As part of the Racetracks Tax Sharing Arrangement, two percent of the amount wagered at unsupervised tracks (fairs) is rebated by the province to the respective agricultural societies. These funds are used to enhance the level of purses distributed at the fairs where standardbred racing is conducted. The Ontario Racing Commission does not supervise the operation of fair racing.

1993 Standardbred Wagering - Unsupervised Tracks

	\$432,094
Provincial Rebate (2% of wagering handle)	\$8,642
Daily allocation based on 40 days of racing	\$254.17

Purse Supplement

1994 Statistics			1994 Improvement Program		
Track	1994 Dates	Wagering \$	1993 Dates	Daily Supplement	1994 Purse Supplement
Ancaster	2	36,144	2	\$254.17	\$508.34
Arnprior	1	4,992	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Beamsville	2	23,675	2	\$254.17	\$508.34
Binbrook	2	27,612	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Brockville	4	28,226	3	\$254.17	\$762.51
Brooklin	1	12,314	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Burford	1	4,383	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Dorchester	1	9,355	-	-	-
Forest	1	5,786	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Markham	2	47,043	2	\$254.17	\$508.34
Melbourne	1	5,663	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Norwood	1	22,663	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Ohswéken	1	9,490	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Orillia	1	5,887	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Orono	1	22,610	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Paris	1	29,070	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Parkhill	1	2,743	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Perth	1	24,734	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Port Perry	1	19,710	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Rodney	1	6,093	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Simcoe	4	66,633	4	\$254.17	\$1,016.90
South Mountain	2	15,318	2	\$254.17	\$508.34
Spencerville	1	10,165	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Sutton	1	18,480	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Tillsonburg	1	8,450	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Wallacetown	1	2,099	1	\$254.17	\$254.17
Total	37	469,338	34		\$8,642.00

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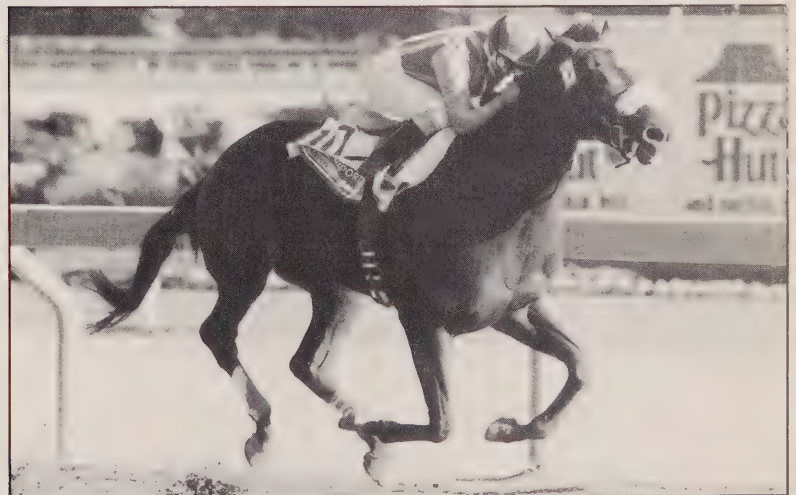
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Standardbred Horse of the Year in Canada

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Peaks and Valleys

Thoroughbred Horse of the Year in Canada

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Chair's Letter to the Minister



**Ontario
Racing
Commission**

The Honourable Norman Sterling
Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations,
Parliament Buildings,
Queen's Park,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Minister:

We are pleased to submit this forty-sixth Annual Statistical Report of the Ontario Racing Commission, covering the operations of the Commission during 1995.

This past year confirmed that the new sense of cooperation and optimism that we referred to in our last Annual Report has indeed returned to the horse racing and breeding industry in Ontario. The Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association (OHRIA) is progressing in its efforts to unite the industry so that it will improve its competitive position in the ever increasing entertainment and gaming markets.

The successful efforts of OHRIA have permitted the Ontario Racing Commission to resume its fundamental regulatory role of insuring that racing is conducted with the utmost integrity.

Initiatives are underway to secure a reduction in the provincial tax on wagering so that racing can compete on "a level playing field" with other racing jurisdictions and with other gaming activities such as casinos and lotteries. In addition, the industry is exploring a system for telephone account wagering which includes a dedicated cable television channel that will bring horse racing to many new potential patrons.

The racing industry continues to face the challenge of encouraging more patrons to attend live racing events and to find ways of utilizing racing facilities for a variety of gaming and other purposes.

The Ontario Racing Commission is dedicated to the task of maintaining a regulatory environment in which the racing and breeding industry can thrive.

Yours faithfully,

Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.
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Racing Commission Act

Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990, Chapter R.2

The Ontario Racing Commission was established under the Racing Commission Act by the Ontario Provincial Government in 1950 to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in the province.

1. In this Act,

- (a) Commission means the Ontario Racing Commission;
- (b) Minister means the member of the Executive Council to whom the administration of this Act is assigned by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. ("ministre") R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 1.

2. The body corporate known as the Ontario Racing Commission, established under *The Racing Commission Act*, 1950, being chapter 67, is continued under the name Ontario Racing Commission in English and the name Commission des courses de l'Ontario in French, and shall be composed of not fewer than three and not more than seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 2, *revised*.

3. The objects of the Commission are to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 3.

4. The members of the Commission shall hold office for a term of not more than three years, but any person is eligible for reappointment. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 4.

5. (1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall name one of the members to be the chair and one of the members to be the vice-chair.

(2) When the office of chair is vacant or in the absence of the chair, the vice-chair shall act in his place and stead. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 5.

6. (1) At any meeting of the Commission a majority of the members constitutes a quorum, and a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of the Commission determines any question.

(2) The chair has a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 6.

7. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may fill any vacancy that occurs in the membership of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 7.

8. The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall fix the salaries of the chair, the vice-chair and the other members of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 8.

9. The salaries and expenses of the members of the Commission and of the officers, clerks and other employees thereof, and generally all costs, charges and expenses incurred and payable in respect of the carrying out of this Act, shall be paid out of the monies appropriated therefor by the Legislature. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 10.

10. The Commission has power,

- (a) to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms;
- (b) to govern, control and regulate the operation of race tracks in Ontario at which any form of horse racing is carried on;
- (c) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers, and to require by a summons signed by the chair or by any other member of the Commission any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as the Commission considers requisite in any such hearing;
- (d) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act, by a fine or other penalty or otherwise;
- (e) to make by-laws for the conduct of its business and for the control and direction of its work;
- (f) to license persons to operate race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;
- (g) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespersons and

such other persons in or about racetracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on, and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;

- (h) to fix and collect fees or other charges for licences, prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which they may be issued;
- (i) to refuse to grant any licence or to suspend or revoke any licence for conduct that the Commission considers to be contrary to the public interest;
- (j) to require registration with the Commission of, and to register colours, assumed names, partnerships and contracts and such other matters and things as the Commission considers expedient;
- (k) to fix and collect fees or other charges for registration under clause (j) and to prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which registration may be made;
- (l) to make and promulgate rules for the conduct of horse racing in any of its forms;
- (m) to employ stewards, veterinarians, analysts, secretarial assistants, judges and such other persons as the Commission considers expedient to attend at race meetings on behalf of the Commission;
- (n) to require approval by the Commission of the appointment of race track officials and employees whose duties relate to the actual running of horse races and to compel the discharge for cause of any such official or employee;
- (o) to fix, impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act;
- (p) to require persons licensed to operate race tracks to keep books of account in a manner satisfactory to the Commission, and to inspect such books at any time;
- (q) to do such things relating to horse racing in any or all of its forms, or to the operation of race tracks at which

horse racing is carried on, as are authorized or directed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 11; 1981, c. 33, s. 2.

11. The accounts of the Commission shall be audited by the Provincial Auditor or by such other auditor as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 12.

12. The Commission shall make a report annually to the Minister, containing such information as the Minister may require. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 13.

13. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations with respect to any and all matters or things that are considered necessary for the carrying out of this Act. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 14.

14. (1) Rules for the conduct of horse racing may be promulgated by the Commission under this Act and the Commission may therein delegate to stewards, judges, veterinarians, race track officials, racing association officials, licensing agents or officers of the Commission such of the following powers as the Commission considers expedient,

- (a) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers;
- (b) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act;
- (c) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespeople and such other persons in or about race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on;
- (d) to collect fees or other charges for licenses;
- (e) to impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act.

(2) The Commission may adopt by reference, in whole or in part, with such changes as the Commission

considers necessary, rules and procedures of racing associations or bodies and may delegate to racing associations or bodies the power to,

- (a) enforce the carrying out and observance of the rules and procedures as adopted or amended
 - (b) hold hearings in respect of the contravention of any of the said rules or procedures; and
 - (c) impose and collect fines, costs and other penalties for the contravention of any of the rules or procedures,
- and where a power has been so delegated to a racing association or body, it shall have the right to exercise discretion or judgment in relation to the powers delegated.

(3) Every person, association or body to whom a power to hold hearings has been delegated under subsection (1) or (2), may by summons require any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as may be required for purposes of a hearing.

(4) Subject to subsection (6), any person who considers themselves aggrieved by a decision of a person delegated by the Commission under a rule made under subsection (1) or by a decision resulting from a hearing held pursuant to a delegation under subsection (2), is entitled to a hearing by the Commission and, in the case of a hearing, the Commission may exercise its powers and duties under section 10 as if such powers and duties had not been delegated.

(5) Where the Commission, after holding a hearing, is of the opinion that the request for the hearing was frivolously made, the Commission may order the person requesting the hearing to pay to the Commission a penalty of no more than \$300 in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed.

(6) Where the rules of the Commission, promulgated or adopted, provide for an appeal to an association or body, any person who considers themselves aggrieved shall appeal in

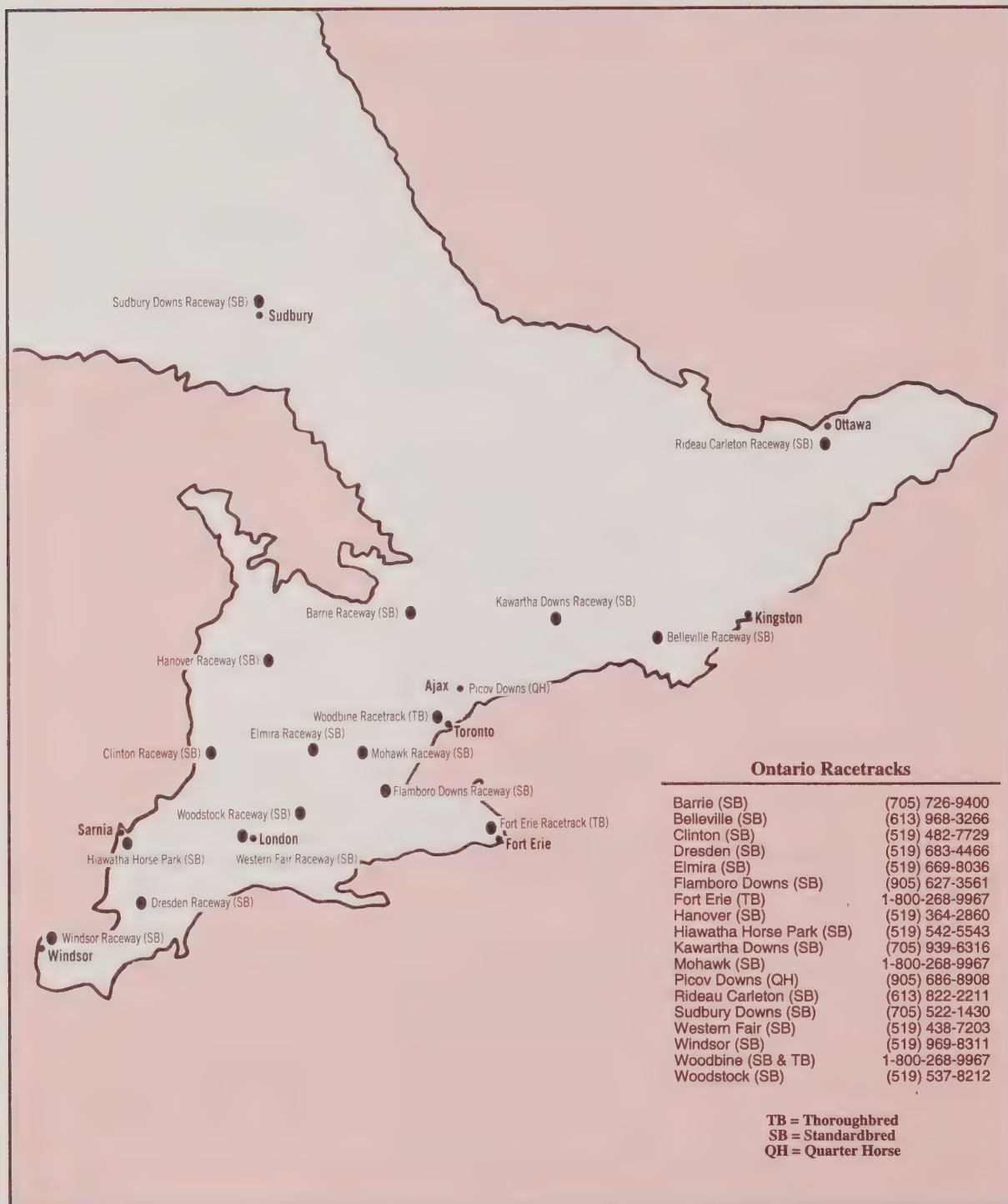
accordance with the rules before applying to the Commission for a hearing under subsection (4).

(7) Any order or rule issued or made by the Commission under this Act shall be deemed to be of an administrative and not of a legislative nature.

(8) One member of the Commission constitutes a quorum for the purposes of a hearing under subsection (4).

(9) The Commission may, on its own motion, review any decision made by a racing association or body pursuant to a power delegated under subsection (2) and may, after affording the parties an opportunity to be heard, confirm the decision reviewed or substitute its own decision in lieu thereof. 1980, c. 429 s. 15.

Ontario Racetracks



Ontario Racetracks

Barrie (SB)	(705) 726-9400
Belleville (SB)	(613) 968-3266
Clinton (SB)	(519) 482-7729
Dresden (SB)	(519) 683-4466
Elmira (SB)	(519) 669-8036
Flamboro Downs (SB)	(905) 627-3561
Fort Erie (TB)	1-800-268-9967
Hanover (SB)	(519) 364-2860
Hiawatha Horse Park (SB)	(519) 542-5543
Kawartha Downs (SB)	(705) 939-6316
Mohawk (SB)	1-800-268-9967
Picov Downs (QH)	(905) 686-8908
Rideau Carleton (SB)	(613) 822-2211
Sudbury Downs (SB)	(705) 522-1430
Western Fair (SB)	(519) 438-7203
Windsor (SB)	(519) 969-8311
Woodbine (SB & TB)	1-800-268-9967
Woodstock (SB)	(519) 537-8212

TB = Thoroughbred
SB = Standardbred
QH = Quarter Horse

Ontario Racing Commission



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Personnel of the Commission

As at December 31, 1995, the Commission consisted of:

Chair

Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.

Vice-Chair

Lynda Tanaka.

Members

Martin G. Caputo

Diane Carlton

Stephen Edwards

Jane Hutchins

Herb McGirr, Sr.

Officials of the Commission

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J. Major

Deputy Director of Racing

W.T. Stone

Deputy Director of Finance and

Administration

G. Fernandes

Commission Counsel

A. Gibson

Supervisor of Thoroughbred Racing

E. Hall

Supervisor of Standardbred Racing

W. Fines

Executive Assistant to Chairman

V. Donovan

Administrative Officer

R. Roy

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Administrative Assistant (acting)

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Purchasing and Licensing Clerk (underfill)

A. Mason

Licensing and Filing Clerk

C. Kopechuk (backfill)

Ontario Sires Stakes Coordinator

T. Iwanciw

Licensing & Cheque Coordinator

D. Lefebvre

Judges and Stewards

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G. Cahill

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B. Davies

D. Dew

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J. McKenna

L. Moffatt

D. Platts

E. Powell

G. Taylor

M. Taylor

T. Walsh

T. Weir

R. Zirnig

Meetings and Hearings

The seven-member Commission meets on a regular basis to establish policy, to deal with administrative matters and to act as a quasi-judicial tribunal.

Commission Meetings

The Commission held eleven formal meetings during 1995 at which regular business was attended to.

Hearings

In addition to formal meetings, the Commission sat for thirty-two days at which 37 licensees appeared for hearings or appeals.

Thoroughbred

During 1995, twenty-seven thoroughbred licensees or applicants for licenses appeared before the Commission for hearings relative to the Rules of Thoroughbred Racing.

Standardbred

Ten standardbred licensees or applicants for licenses appeared before the Commission for hearings pertaining to the Rules of Standardbred Racing.

General

In addition to the above, the Commission sat for twenty-three days of public hearings, eleven of which were for racetrack licenses or race date applications, and twelve of which were for teletheatre applications.

Racing Industry Appeal Board

This appeal tribunal is appointed by the Ontario Racing Commission upon recommendations from the Canadian Trotting Association and the Ontario Harness Horse Association.

This board hears Standardbred appeals relative to fines of less than \$300.00 and/or suspensions of less than 30 days. The Board sat for five days at which thirty-three licensees appeared to have their appeals dealt with. Twelve appeals were allowed and 21 appeals were disallowed.

Memberships

Association of Racing Commissioners, International

The Commission continues to hold active membership in the Association of Racing Commissioners International. This organization is comprised of representatives from all racing commissions throughout North America, Mexico and the Caribbean. The organization acts as a clearing house for changes in racing rules and statistical information. The Chair is a member of the Executive Board. Deputy Director of Racing, Terry Stone, serves on both the Thoroughbred and Standardbred Rules Committee.

Racetracks Security Canada

Acting to facilitate the transfer of information between organizations on security matters and the investigation process, this organization is made up of racetrack security personnel as well as Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency and Commission representatives.

American Association of Equine Practitioners

This association is a professional society of more than 4,500 members from the United States, Canada and over 40 other countries. Since its founding in 1944, one of the primary roles of the AAEP has been to act in an advisory capacity to the racing industry on matters affecting the health of the horse.

Rulings

Thoroughbred

During 1995, the Commission issued 24 Commission Thoroughbred rulings. The Stewards issued 421 rulings for various infractions against licenced personnel including owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders.

Standardbred

During 1995, the Commission issued 213 Commission Standardbred rulings. The Judges issued 873 rulings for various infractions against licenced personnel including owners, trainers, drivers and grooms.

Summary of Licences Issued

The Ontario Racing Commission licenses any person practicing a profession, trade, occupation or calling at any licensed Ontario racetrack.

Thoroughbred

Total number of licences issued includes
reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licenses	No. of Licenses
	1995	1994
Owner, New Owner and Owner Renewal	1,716	1,604
Trainer and Trainer Assistant	292	318
Owner/Trainer, New and Renewals	205	177
Jockey	85	123
Jockey Apprentice, Valets, and Jockey Agent	68	67
Tradesmen	147	148
Veterinarian	31	23
Occupational (Other)	1,761	1,854
Pari-Mutuel	128	112
Total Licenses Issued	4,433	4,426

Standardbred

Total number of licences issued includes
reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licenses	No. of Licenses
	1995	1994
Owner, New and Renewal	8,306	7,106
Stable/Multiple Ownership	649	264
Trainer	3,298	2,925
Driver	1,632	1,423
Groom	4,402	4,305
Tradesmen	105	212
Veterinarian	67	55
Occupational	212	247
Association	207	212
Commission Officials	78	45
Pari-Mutuel	241	331
Total Licenses Issued	19,197	17,040

Wagering and Attendance Statistics



Todd Kabel received the 1995 Sovereign award for outstanding jockey, finishing the year winning 193 races with earnings of \$5.1 million.

Photo: David Landry

Recap of Horse Racing in Ontario and Canada in 1995

Including revenue to the Provincial and Federal Government

	No. of Days	Wagering	Provincial Tax (Net of Rebate)	Provincial Tax (Gross \$)	Federal Tax	%
Ontario						
Standardbred*	1,208	591,830,383.32	30,104,833	45,220,663	4,698,798	48.06%
Thoroughbred	291	630,243,058.46	35,431,248	47,421,004	5,077,793	51.93%
Quarter Horse	20	128,836.00	(6,327)	9,113	1,031	0.01%
Total Ontario	1,519	1,222,202,277.78	65,529,754	92,650,780	9,777,622	100.00%

* includes 37 days of Unsupervised Racing

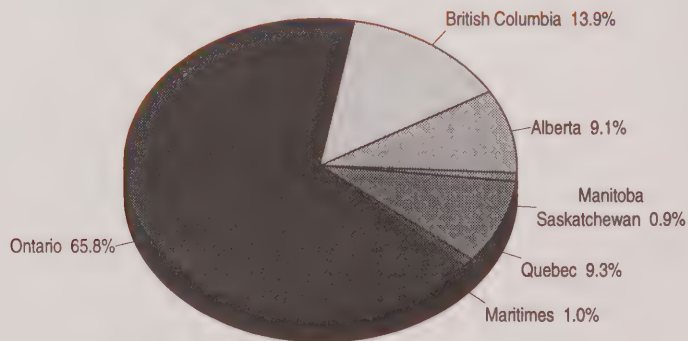
Canada						
Standardbred	2,594	845,930,175		62,672,556	6,571,898	45.54%
Thoroughbred*	807	1,011,432,815		72,652,490	7,482,055	54.46%
Total Canada	3,401	1,857,362,990		135,325,046	14,053,953	100.00%

*includes Quarter Horse

Provincial Detail

Ontario	1,519	1,222,202,277		92,650,780	9,777,622	65.80%
British Columbia	299	257,291,890		18,010,492	2,058,339	13.85%
Quebec	496	172,364,336		12,305,199	1,378,915	9.28%
Alberta	405	169,001,600		8,450,080	1,352,013	9.10%
Manitoba	131	10,406,913		990,117	83,255	0.56%
Nova Scotia	193	10,179,867		1,119,785	81,439	0.55%
Saskatchewan	126	7,069,077		706,908	56,553	0.38%
Prince Edward Island	124	4,660,656		631,297	37,285	0.25%
New Brunswick	90	4,131,840		454,503	33,055	0.22%
Newfoundland	18	53,498		5,885	428	0.00%
Total	3,401	1,857,362,990		135,325,046	14,858,904	100.00%

Ontario's Share of the Canadian Wagering Dollar



Revenue Produced: Purses and Tax Dollars

Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Gross Prov Tax†	Net Prov Tax★	Fed Tax	Tax Dollars Produced			Purse Distribution	% Purse to Handle
						Gross Prov.	Net Prov★	Fed.		
Progress in Thoroughbred Racing										
1983	248	304,967,668	†7	5	.7 to .8	22,436,485	15,344,485	2,134,774	24,764,794	8.12%
1984	245	319,343,712	†7	5	0.8	23,534,604	16,348,604	2,554,750	26,058,227	8.16%
1985	264	333,683,591	†7	5	0.8	24,505,628	16,926,228	2,669,469	28,622,164	8.58%
1986	282	365,528,513	†7	5	0.8	26,850,776	19,029,328	2,924,389	31,879,981	8.72%
1987	278	413,565,078	†7	5	0.8	30,347,090	21,772,744	3,308,521	35,287,923	8.53%
1988	287	452,114,414	†7	5	0.8	33,155,471	23,486,634	3,616,915	43,613,731	9.65%
1989	288	495,407,190	†7	5	0.8	36,239,126	25,723,027	3,963,258	45,393,965	9.16%
1990	292	535,324,696	†7	5	0.8	39,161,047	27,668,232	4,282,598	45,267,891	8.46%
1991	293	523,630,971	†7	5	0.8	38,291,814	26,096,919	4,189,047	47,905,579	9.14%
1992	293	521,513,857	†7	5	0.8	38,177,239	26,369,286	4,172,111	51,692,667	9.91%
1993	294	567,019,864	†7	5	0.8	42,216,151	30,325,912	4,536,159	47,176,882	8.32%
1994	279	583,946,436	†7	5	0.8	43,488,071	31,777,248	4,671,571	39,484,249	6.76%
1995	291	630,243,058	†7	5	0.8	47,421,004	35,431,248	5,077,793	47,848,765	7.54%

Progress in Quarter Horse Racing

1983	7	103,196	†7	5	.7 to .8	7,224	5,224	722	42,160	40.85%
1984	7	82,426	†7	5	0.8	5,770	3,770	659	118,979	144.35%
1985	7	84,692	†7	5	0.8	5,928	4,280	667	95,942	113.28%
1986	12	139,651	†7	5	0.8	9,776	8,082	1,115	128,546	92.05%
1987	13	118,110	†7	5	0.8	8,268	5,475	945	143,933	121.86%
1988	16	141,124	†7	5	0.8	9,879	7,517	1,129	149,548	105.97%
1989	20	244,565	†7	5	0.8	17,119	14,297	1,957	184,220	75.33%
1990	21	334,927	†7	5	0.8	23,445	18,554	2,679	247,264	73.88%
1991	21	258,061	†7	5	0.8	18,064	11,366	2,064	228,182	88.42%
1992	18	186,106	†7	5	0.8	13,027	7,866	1,488	126,997	68.23%
1993	17	139,387	†7	5	0.8	9,757	6,035	1,115	97,775	70.14%
1994	19	151,149	†7	5	0.8	10,652	7,864	1,209	73,734	48.78%
1995	20	128,836	†7	5	0.8	9,113	** (6,327)	1,030	204,895	159.03%

Progress in Standardbred Racing

1983	1672	517,786,938	†7	5	.7 to .8	38,496,281	25,892,281	3,624,508	48,546,946	9.38%
1984	1633	507,096,175	†7	5	0.8	37,737,130	25,130,430	4,056,769	48,172,749	9.50%
1985	1549	494,314,388	†7	5	0.8	36,825,981	24,455,781	3,954,118	48,969,604	9.91%
1986	1625	524,243,023	†7	5	0.8	39,260,613	27,150,352	4,193,437	53,690,705	10.24%
1987	1551	560,118,892	†7	5	0.8	42,070,986	29,022,540	4,480,951	58,234,266	10.40%
1988	1643	607,601,166	†7	5	0.8	45,475,891	31,410,847	4,860,809	65,135,136	10.72%
1989	1628	627,249,647	†7	5	0.8	46,854,374	31,724,890	5,010,190	68,430,917	10.93%
1990	1585	616,089,970	†7	5	0.8	46,101,128	30,560,444	4,928,719	68,804,411	11.17%
1991	1498	560,950,032	†7	5	0.8	42,076,205	26,579,656	4,487,600	60,714,864	10.82%
1992	1486	548,569,954	†7	5	0.8	41,403,406	27,072,390	4,388,559	65,425,855	11.92%
1993	1333	463,929,955	†7	5	0.8	34,541,451	20,355,235	3,711,440	61,693,065	13.29%
1994	1298	495,464,618	†7	5	0.8	36,922,508	23,534,795	3,963,716	63,951,896	12.90%
1995	1,208	591,830,383	†7	5	0.8	45,220,663	30,104,833	4,698,798	78,325,497	13.33%

† 9% tax on triactor wagering

★ Less Improvement Program funding

** Quarter Horse Improvement Program funding is based on live AND simulcasting wagering. Wagering of \$128,836 does not include simulcasting wagering.



Wagering and Attendance Trends in Ontario

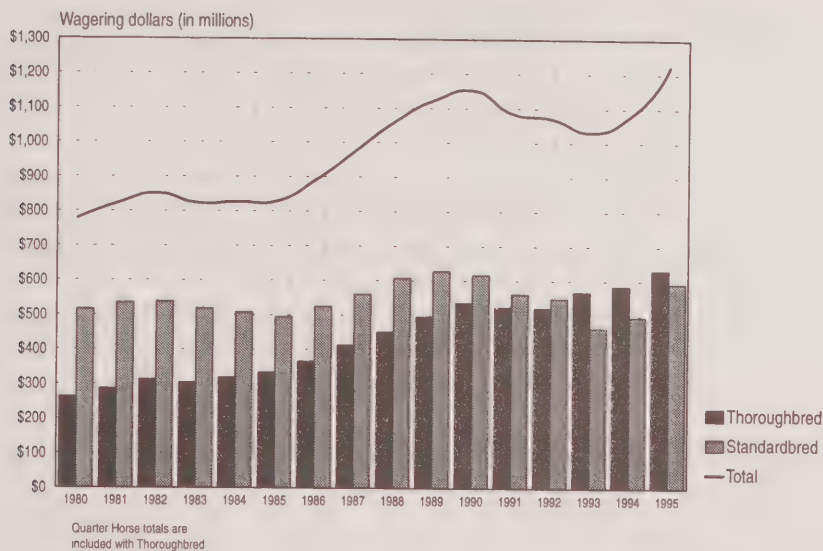
Wagering

Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered
1980	1584	\$515,787,745	233	\$262,821,324	7	\$156,928	1,824	\$778,765,997
1981	1621	\$534,950,803	237	\$286,498,285	7	\$159,977	1,865	\$821,609,065
1982	1657	\$537,622,939	238	\$312,886,211	7	\$118,298	1,902	\$850,627,448
1983	1672	\$517,786,938	241	\$304,864,472	7	\$103,196	1,920	\$822,754,606
1984	1633	\$507,096,175	245	\$319,343,712	7	\$82,426	1,885	\$826,522,313
1985	1549	\$494,314,388	264	\$333,683,591	7	\$84,692	1,820	\$828,082,671
1986	1625	\$524,243,023	282	\$365,528,513	12	\$139,651	1,919	\$889,911,187
1987	1551	\$560,118,892	278	\$413,565,078	13	\$118,110	1,842	\$973,802,080
1988	1643	\$607,601,166	287	\$452,114,414	16	\$141,124	1,946	\$1,059,856,704
1989	1628	\$627,249,647	288	\$495,407,190	20	\$244,565	1,936	\$1,122,901,402
1990	1585	\$616,089,970	292	\$535,324,696	21	\$334,927	1,898	\$1,151,749,593
1991	1498	\$560,950,032	293	\$523,630,971	21	\$258,061	1,812	\$1,084,839,064
1992	1486	\$548,569,954	293	\$521,513,857	18	\$186,106	1,797	\$1,070,269,917
1993	1,333	\$463,929,955	294	\$567,019,864	17	\$139,387	1,644	\$1,031,089,206
1994	1,298	\$495,464,618	279	\$583,946,436	19	\$151,149	1,596	\$1,079,562,203
1995	1,208	\$591,830,383	291	\$630,243,058	20	\$128,836	1,519	\$1,222,202,277

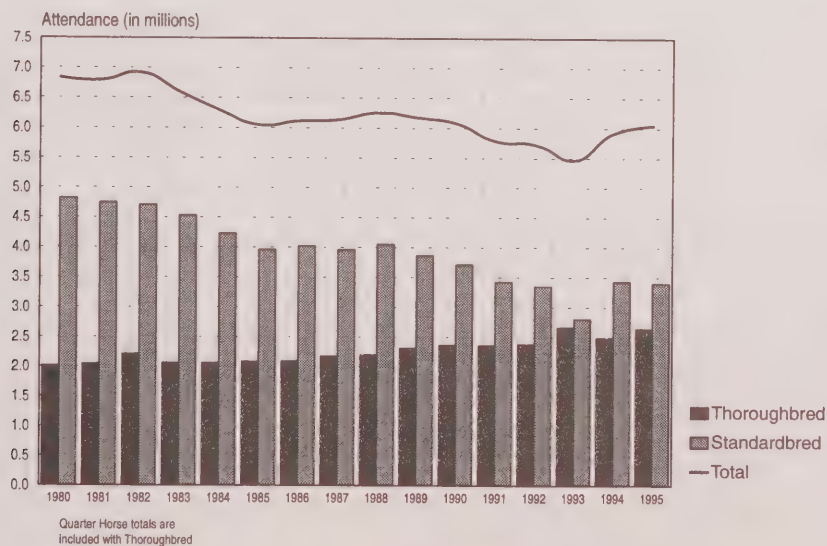
Attendance

Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Total	Average	Total	Average	Total	Average	Total	Average
1980	4,819,098	3,042	2,010,182	8,627	4,686	669	6,833,966	3,747
1981	4,741,751	2,925	2,041,620	8,614	5,287	755	6,788,658	3,640
1982	4,705,750	2,840	2,206,803	9,272	4,036	577	6,916,589	3,636
1983	4,531,161	2,710	2,058,037	8,540	3,304	472	6,592,502	3,434
1984	4,229,634	2,590	2,056,743	8,395	3,418	488	6,289,795	3,337
1985	3,960,341	2,557	2,083,007	7,890	2,947	421	6,046,295	3,322
1986	4,018,687	2,473	2,089,251	7,409	6,115	510	6,114,053	3,186
1987	3,958,233	2,552	2,174,243	7,821	3,532	272	6,136,008	3,331
1988	4,051,641	2,466	2,193,147	7,642	6,727	420	6,251,515	3,212
1989	3,862,048	2,372	2,305,590	8,005	7,320	366	6,174,958	3,189
1990	3,709,300	2,340	2,358,753	8,078	7,755	369	6,075,808	3,201
1991	3,421,738	2,284	2,352,814	8,030	6,784	323	5,781,336	3,190
1992	3,345,779	2,251	2,372,312	8,069	5,259	292	5,723,370	3,185
1993	2,802,335	2,102	2,656,324	9,035	5,259	309	5,463,735	3,323
1994	3,431,153	2,643	2,478,537	8,884	10,150	534	5,919,840	3,709
1995	3,397,941	2,812	2,624,292	9,018	20,600	980	6,042,833	3,978

Wagering Trends



Attendance Trends



Wagering and Attendance Statistics

Comparison of 1994 and 1995

Tracks	No. of Days			Wagering Handle (\$) as reported by CPMA			Wagering Handle (\$) Actual on Site		
	1995	1994	%+-	1995	1994	%+-	1995	1994	%+-
Thoroughbred									
Woodbine	190	182	4.4%	527,151,879.28	488,538,806	7.9%	426,538,608.39	416,916,816	2.3%
Fort Erie	101	97	4.1%	103,091,179.18	95,407,630	8.1%	86,794,852.77	81,693,249	6.2%
Total Thoroughbred	291	279	4.3%	630,243,058.46	583,946,436	7.9%	513,333,461.16	498,655,065	2.9%
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)									
Total Quarter Horse	20	19	5.3%	128,836.00	151,149	-14.8%	428,648.00	671,782	-36.2%
Standardbred									
Class I									
Woodbine	145	136	6.6%	228,308,144.00	180,779,500	26.3%	199,588,101.60	166,179,855	20.1%
Mohawk	117	122	-4.1%	177,719,635.00	161,322,540	10.2%	110,438,249.00	114,126,684	-3.2%
OJC	262	258	1.6%	406,027,779.00	342,102,040	18.7%	310,026,350.60	280,306,539	10.6%
Windsor	169	125	35.2%	114,568,136.32	39,143,708	192.7%	117,123,726.88	80,906,549	44.8%
	431	383	12.5%	520,595,915.32	381,245,748	36.6%	427,150,077.48	361,213,088	18.3%
Class II									
Flamboro Downs	134	213	-37.1%	37,325,241.00	63,157,633	-40.9%	48,915,380.00	64,409,270	-24.1%
Rideau Carleton	113	105	7.6%	10,043,111.00	15,378,629	-34.7%	42,910,881.00	28,682,745	49.6%
	247	318	-22.3%	47,368,352.00	78,536,262	-39.7%	91,826,261.00	93,091,015	-1.4%
Class III									
Western Fair	111	121	-8.3%	6,249,687.00	10,021,411	-37.6%	31,187,915.73	27,681,983	12.7%
Hiawatha	53	43	23.3%	3,296,658.00	3,457,994	-4.7%	14,063,426.26	13,782,493	2.0%
Barrie	67	89	-24.7%	4,487,068.00	6,741,976	-33.4%	18,569,364.42	12,637,288	46.9%
Kawartha Downs	54	56	-3.6%	2,697,165.00	4,411,457	-38.9%	10,022,137.00	5,296,174	89.2%
Elmira	50	52	-3.8%	2,243,380.00	2,936,388	-23.6%	29,194,599.89	21,239,002	37.5%
Sudbury Downs	50	50	0.0%	801,003.00	1,910,898	-58.1%	18,650,134.00	14,079,465	32.5%
	385	411	-6.3%	19,774,961.00	29,480,124	-32.9%	121,687,577.30	94,716,405	28.5%
Class IV									
Kingston Park	2	44	-95.5%	15,136.00	893,097	-98.3%	839,847.00	2,980,969	-71.8
Dresden	26	27	-3.7%	1,098,969.00	2,114,511	-48.0%	5,596,611.92	4,498,404	24.4%
Woodstock	19	22	-13.6%	634,844.00	805,047	-21.1%	5,928,812.73	3,993,954	48.4%
Belleville	27	24	12.5%	610,826.00	667,026	-8.4%	4,137,353.00	3,286,387	25.9%
Hanover	21	21	0.0%	686,072.00	733,311	-6.4%	4,451,520.44	1,798,338	147.5%
Clinton	14	11	27.3%	636,936.00	520,154	22.5%	3,373,470.23	1,396,888	141.5%
	109	149	-26.8%	3,682,783.00	5,733,146	-35.8%	24,327,615.32	17,954,448	35.5%
Total Supervised	1,172	1,261	-7.1%	591,422,011.32	494,995,280	19.5%	664,991,531.10	566,975,448	17.3%
Unsupervised	36	37	-2.7%	408,372.00	469,338	-13.0%	408,372.00	469,338	-13.0%
Total Standardbred	1,208	1,298	-6.9%	591,830,383.32	495,464,618	19.4%	665,399,903.10	567,444,786	17.3%
Grand Total	1,519	1,596	-4.8%	1,222,202,277.78	1,079,562,203	13.2%	1,179,162,012.26	1,066,771,663	10.5%

Attendance (estimated)

1995	1994	%+-
2,101,823	2,013,159	4.4%
522,469	465,378	12.3%
2,624,292	2,478,537	5.9%
20,600	10,150	103.0%
950,182	856,921	10.9%
521,929	602,169	-13.3%
1,472,111	1,459,089	0.9%
505,719	416,059	21.5%
1,977,830	1,875,148	5.5%
264,100	267,167	-36.1%
336,514	251,500	33.8%
600,614	664,867	-9.7%
187,559	234,714	-20.1%
61,000	93,156	-34.5%
88,262	99,521	-11.3%
77,532	59,083	31.2%
105,052	100,722	4.3%
153,923	155,270	-0.9%
673,328	742,466	-9.3%
5,125	15,623	-67.2%
30,130	40,090	-24.8%
30,776	31,937	-3.6%
27,288	21,357	27.8%
39,948	24,318	64.3%
12,902	15,347	-15.9%
146,169	148,672	-1.7%
3,394,941	3,431,153	-1.0%
n/a	n/a	n/a
3,397,941	3,431,153	-1.0%
6,042,833	5,919,840	2.1%

Notes

All numbers are based on the wagering database as provided by the Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency

Reported by CPMA

1. Money bet in an Ontario racetrack pool.
2. CPMA figures are based on where the pool is located ie. Windsor betting on Woodbine Thoroughbred product is shown in Woodbine Thoroughbred wagering totals.

Actual On-Site

1. Money bet by an Ontario bettor at an Ontario track
2. CPMA figures have been manipulated to show the amount of wagering taking place at each racetrack, ie. the total amount of money that has physically passed through the pari-mutual machines.
3. These are the totals that have been subject to taxation and are therefore used to calculate the rebate program.

The difference between "reported" and "actual" is \$43,040,265.52 (\$74,719,211 - \$31,678,945.48)

Reported by CPMA includes \$74,719,211 of out-of-province wagering in Ontario pools.

Actual on Site includes \$31,678,945.48 of Ontario wagering in out-of-province pools.

1995

A strike by the horsemen closed Flamboro Downs for the first four months of the year. Kingston Park Raceway closed, operating in January with simulcasting and two live days.

Due to the closure of Connaught Park in Alymer, Quebec, Rideau Carleton expanded its racing season into May, June and December.

Barrie Raceway dropped its Wednesday night racing in the latter part of the year.

Windsor Raceway expanded their live meet to include Saturdays and Sundays during the summer and early fall when they had previously been closed for the season.

Analysis of 1995 Wagering Statistics

Breakdown of wagering by type and by breed

Tracks	Live	% of total	Simulcasting on track	% of total	Off Track	% of total	Total Wagering	Thoroughbred	Standardbred
Thoroughbred									
Woodbine	131,434,499.00	30.8%	78,925,105.00	18.5%	216,179,004.39	50.7%	426,538,608.39	426,538,608.39	
Fort Erie	25,500,097.22	29.4%	24,608,176.55	28.4%	36,686,579.00	42.3%	86,794,852.77	86,781,600.77	13,252.00
Total Thoroughbred	156,934,596.22	30.6%	103,533,281.55	20.2%	252,865,583.39	49.3%	513,333,461.16	513,320,209.16	13,252.00
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)									
Total Quarter Horse	128,836.00	30.1%	299,812.00	69.9%			428,648.00	428,648.00	
Standardbred									
Class I									
Woodbine	53,238,144.00	26.7%	34,259,948.00	17.2%	112,090,009.60	56.2%	199,588,101.60	8,448,332.00	191,139,769.60
Mohawk	25,491,200.00	23.1%	3,606,616.00	3.3%	81,340,433.00	73.7%	110,438,249.00		110,438,249.00
OJC	78,729,344.00	25.4%	37,866,564.00	12.2%	193,430,442.60	62.4%	310,026,350.60	8,448,332.00	301,578,018.60
Windsor	10,510,137.00	33.3%	78,126,005.88	66.7%			117,123,726.88	56,170,802.88	60,952,924.00
	18,089,273.00	27.6%	115,992,569.88	27.2%	193,430,442.60	45.3%	427,150,077.48	64,619,134.88	362,630,942.60
Class II									
Flamboro Downs	6,249,687.00	21.5%	4,281,149.00	8.8%	34,124,094.00	69.8%	48,915,380.00	12,699,193.00	36,216,187.00
Rideau Carleton	7,579,136.00	17.7%	8,215,600.00	19.1%	27,116,145.00	63.2%	42,910,881.00	12,285,011.00	30,625,870.00
	18,089,273.00	19.7%	12,496,749.00	13.6%	61,240,239.00	66.7%	91,826,261.00	24,984,204.00	66,842,057.00
Class III									
Western Fair	6,249,687.00	20.0%	13,598,851.00	43.6%	11,339,377.73	36.4%	31,187,915.73	5,638,253.09	25,549,662.64
Hiawatha	3,296,658.00	23.4%	6,990,476.61	49.7%	3,776,291.65	26.9%	14,063,426.26	2,945,834.03	11,117,592.23
Barrie	4,409,423.00	23.7%	5,492,740.00	29.6%	8,667,201.42	46.7%	18,569,364.42	5,591,435.04	12,977,929.38
Kawartha Downs	2,697,165.00	26.9%	1,222,215.00	12.2%	6,102,757.00	60.9%	10,022,137.00	1,932,296.00	8,089,841.00
Elmira	2,023,213.00	7.0%	9,916,888.00	34.0%	17,243,498.89	59.1%	29,194,599.89	10,385,619.00	18,808,980.89
Sudbury Downs	801,003.00	4.3%	391,254.00	2.1%	17,457,877.00	93.6%	18,650,134.00	4,694,875.00	13,955,259.00
	19,488,149.00	16.0%	37,612,424.61	30.9%	64,587,003.69	53.1%	121,687,577.30	31,188,312.16	90,499,265.14
Class IV									
Kingston Park	15,136.00	1.8%	824,711.00	98.2%			839,847.00	77,271.00	762,576.00
Dresden	1,098,969.00	19.6%	1,399,358.00	25.0%	3,098,284.92	55.4%	5,596,611.92	887,181.23	4,709,430.69
Woodstock	634,844.00	10.7%	1,927,015.00	32.5%	3,366,953.73	56.8%	5,928,812.73	979,161.49	4,949,651.24
Belleville	610,826.00	14.8%	588,307.00	14.2%	2,938,220.00	71.0%	4,137,353.00	1,008,687.00	3,128,666.00
Hanover	686,072.00	15.4%	389,304.00	8.7%	3,376,144.44	75.8%	4,451,520.44	584,924.21	3,866,596.23
Clinton	636,936.00	18.9%	938,218.00	27.8%	1,798,316.23	53.3%	3,373,470.23	541,521.13	2,831,949.10
	3,682,783.00	15.1%	6,066,913.00	24.9%	14,577,919.32	59.9%	24,327,615.32	4,078,746.06	20,248,869.26
Total Supervised	159,987,270.00	23.9%	172,168,656.49	25.9%	333,835,604.61	50.2%	664,991,531.10	124,870,397.10	540,121,134.00
Unsupervised	408,372.00	100.0%					408,372.00		408,372.00
Total Standardbred	159,395,642.00	24.0%	172,168,656.49	25.9%	333,835,604.61	50.2%	665,399,903.10	124,870,397.10	540,529,506.00
Grand Total	316,459,074.22	26.8%	276,001,750.04	23.4%	586,701,188.00	49.8%	1,179,162,012.26	638,619,254.26	540,542,758.00

Breakdown between Ontario product and Foreign product

Ontario				Foreign			
Thoroughbred TB total	% of	Standardbred SB total	% of	Thoroughbred TB total	% of	Standardbred SB total	% of
276,474,570.39	64.8%			150,064,038.00	35.2%		
78,191,386.98	90.1%			8,590,213.79	9.9%	13,252.00	100.0%
354,665,957.37	69.1%			158,654,251.79	30.9%	13,252.00	100.0%
428,648.00	100.0%						
		167,673,800.60	87.7%	8,448,332.00	100.0%	23,465,969.00	12.3%
		91,848,562.00	83.2%			18,589,687.00	16.8%
		259,522,362.60	86.1%	8,448,332.00	100.0%	42,055,656.00	13.9%
18,721,178.30	33.3%	54,603,813.00	89.6%	37,449,624.58	66.7%	6,349,111.00	10.4%
18,721,178.30	29.0%	314,126,175.60	86.6%	45,897,956.58	71.0%	48,404,767.00	13.4%
11,463,755.00	90.3%	36,182,354.00	99.9%	1,235,438.00	9.7%	33,833.00	0.1%
5,696,692.00	46.4%	29,295,259.00	95.7%	6,588,319.00	53.6%	1,330,611.00	4.3%
17,160,447.00	68.7%	65,477,613.00	98.0%	7,923,757.00	31.3%	1,364,444.00	2.0%
3,205,123.50	56.8%	24,008,408.02	94.0%	2,433,129.59	43.2%	1,541,254.62	6.0%
1,414,855.49	48.0%	10,292,847.24	92.6%	1,530,978.54	52.0%	824,744.99	7.4%
4,258,991.92	76.2%	12,568,391.06	96.8%	1,332,443.12	23.8%	409,538.32	3.2%
1,696,899.00	87.8%	8,039,957.00	99.4%	235,397.00	12.2%	49,884.00	0.6%
5,908,260.88	56.9%	16,981,305.23	90.3%	4,477,358.12	43.1%	1,827,675.66	9.7%
4,694,739.00	100.0%	13,916,841.00	99.7%	136.00	0.0%	38,418.00	0.3%
21,178,869.79	67.9%	85,807,749.55	94.8%	10,009,442.37	32.1%	4,691,515.59	5.2%
18,824.00	24.4%	728,296.00	95.5%	58,447.00	75.6%	34,280.00	4.5%
567,080.05	63.9%	4,506,689.93	95.7%	320,101.18	36.1%	202,740.76	4.3%
708,529.00	72.4%	4,734,760.24	95.7%	270,632.49	27.6%	214,891.00	4.3%
746,032.00	74.0%	2,997,279.00	95.8%	262,655.00	26.0%	131,387.00	4.2%
388,964.80	66.5%	3,683,645.11	95.3%	195,959.41	33.5%	182,951.12	4.7%
356,073.50	65.8%	2,636,640.57	93.1%	185,447.63	34.2%	195,308.53	6.9%
2,785,503.35	68.3%	19,287,310.85	95.3%	1,293,242.71	31.7%	961,558.41	4.7%
59,845,998.44	47.9%	484,698,849.00	89.7%	65,024,398.66	52.1%	55,422,285.00	10.3%
		408,372.00	100.0%				
59,845,998.44	47.9%	59,845,998.44	89.7%	65,024,398.66	52.1%	55,422,285.00	10.3%
414,940,603.81	65.0%	485,107,221.00	89.7%	223,678,650.45	35.0%	55,435,537.00	10.3%

Intertrack Wagering

Teletheatre	Thoroughbred			Standardbred			Total	
	1995	1994		1995	1994		1995	1994
Thoroughbred								
Woodbine	78,925,105.00	68,072,244.00	15.9%		2,577,494.00		78,925,105.00	70,649,738.00
Fort Erie	24,594,925.55	23,463,205.00	4.8%	13,252.00	2,484,018.00		24,608,177.00	25,947,223.00
Total	103,520,030.55	91,535,449.00	13.1%	13,252.00	5,061,512.00		103,533,282.00	96,596,961.00
Quarter Horse								
Picov Downs	299,812.00	520,633.00	-42.4%				299,812.00	520,633.00
Standardbred								
Woodbine	8,448,332.00	27,893,762.00		25,811,616.00	1,596,463.00		34,259,948	29,490,225.00
Mohawk				3,606,616.00	86,434.00		3,606,616.00	86,484.00
Windsor	56,170,802.88	38,726,335.00	45.0%	21,955,203.00	11,399,870.00	92.6%	78,126,005.88	50,126,205.00
Flamboro	1,926,372.00	4,150,517.00	-53.6%	2,354,777.00	3,758,496.00	-37.3	4,281,149.00	7,909,013.00
Rideau Carleton	3,452,032.00	1,352,454.00	155.2%	4,763,568.00	3,763,530.00	26.6%	8,215,600.00	5,115,984.00
Western Fair	3,325,454.00	3,428,037.00	-3.0%	10,273,397	8,041,626.00	27.8%	13,598,851.00	11,469,663.00
Hiawatha	2,306,639.61	2,234,074.00	3.2%	4,683,837.00	5,433,756.00	-13.8%	6,990,476.00	7,667,830.00
Barrie	2,226,594.00	593,719.00	275.0%	3,266,146.00	2,524,085.00	29.4%	5,492,740.00	3,117,804.00
Kawartha				1,222,215.00				1,222,215.00
Elmira	4,116,568.00	7,786,768.00	-47.1%	5,800,320.00	7,426,023.00	-21.9%	9,916,888.00	15,212,791.00
Sudbury	126,977.00	52,768.00	140.6%	264,277.00	740,864.00	-64.3%	391,254.00	793,632.00
Kingston	77,271.00			747,440.00	2,207,580.00	-66.1%	824,711.00	2,207,580.00
Dresden	184,524.00			1,214,834.00	1,259,280.00	-3.5%	1,399,358.00	1,259,280.00
Woodstock	153,806.00			1,773,209.00	2,290,114.00	-22.6%	1,927,015.00	2,290,114.00
Belleville	64,494.00	39,887.00	61.7%	523,813.00	824,062.00	-36.4%	588,307.00	863,949.00
Clinton	252,723.00	83,632.00	202.2%	685,495.00	477,288.00	43.6%	938,218.00	560,920.00
Hanover				389,304.00	404,302.00	-3.7%	389,304.00	404,302.00
Total	82,832,589.49	86,341,953.00	-4.1%	89,336,067.00	52,233,773.00	71.0%	172,168,656.49	138,575,726.00
Grand Total	186,652,431.04	178,398,034.00	4.6%%	89,349,319.00	57,295,285.00	55.9%	276,001,750.04	235,693,319.00

Teletheatres

Teletheatre	Thoroughbred		Standardbred		Total	
	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994
Barrie Hub	1,177,737	519,973	2,929,390	3,020,472	4,107,127	3,540,445
Belleville/Rideau Network	944,193	299,619	1,994,027	1,764,864	2,938,220	2,064,483
Flamboro Downs Network	10,772,821		23,351,273	27,948,561	34,124,094	27,948,561
Kawartha Downs Hub	1,932,296		4,170,461	884,717	6,102,757	884,717
Ontario Jockey Club Network	240,655,341	180,641,485	181,716,263	135,872,122	422,371,604	316,513,607
OJC/Picov Hub	13,455,609	4,080,754	12,706,647	3,688,254	26,162,256	7,769,008
Southwestern Ontario Teletheatres	12,565,212	1,078,361	33,755,896	15,449,816	46,321,108	16,528,177
Rideau Network	8,832,979	4,086,678	18,283,166	15,339,301	27,116,145	19,425,979
Sudbury/OJC Network	4,567,898	3,341,759	12,889,979	12,619,203	17,457,877	15,960,962
Total	294,904,086	194,048,629	291,793,254	216,587,310	586,701,188	410,635,939

Racing Statistics



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Commission Activity – Thoroughbred

The Stewards issued 421 rulings against licensed personnel for various infractions involving owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders in 1995.

Inquiries by the Stewards

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1971	82	46	36
1972	84	59	25
1973	39	24	15
1974	51	21	30
1975	41	15	26
1976	45	18	27
1977	26	5	21
1978	28	14	14
1979	59	29	30
1980	65	26	39
1981	92	48	44
1982	81	49	32
1983	109	67	42
1984	76	54	22
1985	63	51	12
1986	70	43	27
1987	62	42	20
1988	68	57	11
1989	79	64	15
1990	66	53	13
1991	78	66	12
1992	84	69	15
1993	71	52	19
1994	67	58	9
1995	49	31	18

Claims of Foul

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1971	95	30	65
1972	81	24	57
1973	78	28	50
1974	83	26	57
1975	86	29	57
1976	61	21	40
1977	93	24	69
1978	91	37	54
1979	97	32	65
1980	111	40	71
1981	131	40	91
1982	87	30	57
1983	93	27	66
1984	90	27	63
1985	90	32	58
1986	92	28	64
1987	89	27	62
1988	118	29	89
1989	117	18	99
1990	140	34	106
1991	131	42	89
1992	133	42	91
1993	144	40	104
1994	116	33	83
1995	103	23	80

Scratches

	1993	1994	1995
By Commission			
Veterinarians	466	441	468
By Stewards	423	268	248
As part of entries	119	27	54
Out of stakes	27	32	52
Total	1,035	768	822

Trainers' Examinations

	1993	1994	1995
Number of examinations written	53	38	36
Number of examinations passed	42	30	16
Number of examinations failed	4	8	20

Urine and Blood Tests

	1992	1993	1994	1995
Number ordered by the stewards (inc. extras)	6,437	6,738	6,390	6,985
Number taken	6,290	6,616	6,520	6,804
Number abandoned	43	37	19	19

Claims – Standardbred

							\$Value	Average \$ Value
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1995	1995
Barrie	73	52	57	84	74	64	234,500	3,664
Belleville	9	2	2	2	9	14	37,250	2,657
Clinton	5	4	9	4	8	11	24,500	2,227
Dresden	28	19	16	23	29	24	62,000	2,583
Elmira	23	10	16	26	45	32	128,275	4,008
Flamboro Downs	93	90	121	105	235	131	801,750	6,120
Goderich	7	2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Greenwood	252	148	174	238	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hanover	10	19	15	9	11	14	45,125	3,223
Hiawatha	53	29	38	51	24	47	150,375	3,199
Kawartha Downs	13	11	19	20	16	25	92,250	3,690
Kingston Park	29	30	45	19	2	n/a	n/a	n/a
Leamington	12	8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mohawk	149	115	130	166	257	274	6,997,250	25,537
Orangeville	66	32	43	18	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Rideau Carleton	50	48	55	74	66	88	307,000	3,488
Sudbury	19	19	15	13	18	17	51,000	3,000
Western Fair	79	86	84	83	76	55	208,625	3,793
Windsor	132	94	134	132	158	363	2,925,649	8,059
Woodbine					275	409	8,949,390	21,881
Woodstock	8	7	9	10	5	20	78,125	3,906
Total	1,110	825	982	1,077	1,308	1,588	21,093,064	13,282

Claims and Tattooing – Thoroughbred

Tattooing

Year	Number of Horses Tattooed
1982	936
1983	1,044
1984	1,056
1985	1,090
1986	1,310
1987	1,300
1988	1,419
1989	1,461
1990	1,327
1991	1,349
1992	1,292
1993	1,162
1994	988
1995	1,013

Claims

Year	No.	Average Value
1982	626	\$9,522
1983	689	\$10,316
1984	676	\$10,257
1985	696	\$10,379
1986	861	\$9,918
1987	913	\$11,234
1988	815	\$12,811
1989	1,050	\$9,878
1990	639	\$12,992
1991	544	\$13,320
1992	863	\$12,926
1993	821	\$12,554
1994	813	\$12,271
1995	932	\$12,438

Positive Tests

	Standardbred					Thoroughbred				
	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Benzoyllecgonine					1					
Betamethasone		1								
Bumetanide					1					
Bupivacaine									1	
Butorphanol		1								
Caffeine		2		6	1					
Clenbuterol			3					2		
Cathinone					2					
Cocaine		1		2	1					
Cotinine					1					
Cromoglycate		1	7	5	5		1			
Detomidine			2							
Diazepam				1						
Diclofenac		1			1					
Dipyron	1	3				1				
Dexamethasone	1	1	1							
Dimethylsulfoxide				1						
Ephedrine				8						
Ethacrynic Acid	1			2						
Flunixin		2	2		1					
Furosemide	8	6	6	4	8	1	2	4		1
Glycopyrrolate	2							1		
Guaifenesin	1		2	5						1
Heptaminol		1								
Hydrochlorothiazide				1						
Hydroxy Detomidine	1									
Indomethacin					1					
Isoflupredone	1									
Isoxsuprine		2								
Ketoprofen				6	1		2			
Lidocaine				1						
Mazindol		2								
Meclofenamic Acid		2		1	1					
Methamphetamine			3							
Methocarbamol	2	6	5	1	1					2
Methylecgonine					1					
Methylphenidate										1
Methylprednisolone					1					
Morphine	1	1		2						
Naquasone		1								
Phenylbutazone	4	3	2	5	5	1				
Phenylpropanolamine	2	5	3					1	1	
Prednisolone	1		2	1	1		1			
Procaine	2	1	5	5	1			1	3	
Promazine		1					1			
Propantheline					22					
Sabutamol		1								
Salicylic Acid				2	2					
Terbutaline	2									
Theobromine					2					
Theophylline			3	3						2
Trichlormethiazide				2						
Total Positive Tests	30	45	46	64	59	3	7	9	5	7
Total Positive Drugs	30	45	46	64	61	3	7	9	5	7

Improvement Programs



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The Ontario Government collects a tax from wagering at all racetracks in the province. This tax is a percentage of the amount wagered and is, at present, set at seven percent with an additional two percent tax on triactor features. In 1968, the Ontario Government raised its pari-mutuel tax by one percent. At that time, it was stated that the extra one percent would be allocated to furthering the goals and requirements of Ontario's racing industry. This evolved in 1974 to the present rebate program. In 1981 a further one percent of the existing tax was rebated to the industry raising the level of the rebate to two percent and in the case of triactor features to four percent.

How was the agreement reached?

All areas of the horse racing and breeding industry in Ontario were consulted. The following associations provided input towards how the proposal would best serve the industry:

Standardbred Breeders and Owners
Association/Ontario
Ontario Harness Horse Association
Canadian Standardbred Horse Society
Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective
Association
Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society
National Association of Canadian
Racetracks (Ontario Division)
Harness Tracks of Ontario

Agreement between the province and the industry was reached and the Improvement Program came into effect in 1974.

What is the purpose of the Improvement Program?

The Improvement Program serves four purposes:

1. to supplement purses paid to horse owners,
2. to improve the quality and quantity of racing stock in Ontario,
3. to fund equine research, and
4. to promote the Ontario-bred horse.

What was the dollar value of the program in 1995?

In 1994, the total amount wagered at race tracks in Ontario was \$1,066,771,633. Based on this figure, the value of the Improvement Program in 1994 was \$27,121,026, allocated as follows:

Standardbred Racing:	\$15,115,830
Thoroughbred Racing:	\$11,989,756
Quarter Horse Racing:	\$15,440
TOTAL	\$27,121,026

The amount returned to each segment of the industry is prorated according to the total dollars wagered. These funds are then apportioned to research, breeders' incentive programs, supplemental purse grants and publicity budgets.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TAX SHARING ARRANGEMENT

Equine Research

Under the 1995 program, The Guelph Centre for Equine Research at the University of Guelph was allocated funds for research projects.

Overnight Purse Supplements

This part of the program addresses purse levels in general through the distribution of overnight purse supplements. By supplementing purses paid to owners, the racing industry and the provincial government are encouraging the purchase of better racing stock and are helping to offset increasing operating costs which owners are experiencing.

In 1995, the Thoroughbred Industry received \$8,323,018 in overnight purse supplements and the Standardbred Industry received \$8,812,447

Racing and Breeding Incentives

Through the racing and breeding incentives, rebate money is actively directed towards programs which will benefit the industry.

The Standardbred Program totaled \$5,180,602 in 1995 and included the Ontario Sires Stakes and Trillium Series purses, Breeders' Awards, and a Publicity Budget.

The Thoroughbred Program totaled \$3,567,007 and included the Ontario Sires Stakes, a Publicity Budget and funding for major stakes purses.

The Ontario Sires Stakes Program

Established in 1974, the Ontario Standardbred Sires Stakes has proved to be one of the most successful government programs. It has reduced the outflow of Ontario capital to the United States for the purchase of yearlings, improved Ontario stock through economic incentives to breeders and increased employment in the racing industry.

In the Standardbred Program the Ontario Sires Stakes are a series of races with supplemented purses for two and three year old trotters and pacers at tracks across Ontario. It is a self-help program in which breeders, horsemen and tracks contribute to the purse through stallion levies, nomination and sustaining payments, starting fees and track fees.

1995 was the third full year of operation under a newly revamped Ontario Sires Stakes program for both two and three year-old horses. The races are split into two tiers - the Grassroots Series and the Gold Series. The average purse for the Grassroots Series was approximately \$47,000 before divisions. The Gold Series was raced in eliminations and finals with an approximate purse for each of the finals of \$100,000. For each category of horse (ie 2 year old filly trot) there were five Grass-

roots Series and five Gold Series spanning May through November.

In total there were 120 races (including eliminations and finals) which were contested in a total of 294 divisions. The total purse value of these races were \$8,335,891. Breeders' Awards of \$379,800 were distributed to the breeders of each of the top five horses in the eliminations and finals of the Gold Series.

To be eligible to the Ontario Sires Stakes, foals must have been sired by a stallion standing in Ontario and registered with the program. These stallions must either be owned or leased by an Ontario resident. As a result, the number and quality of sires standing in Ontario has improved considerably which has lead to the development of breeding establishments which are now competitive on a world class level.

Because of the success of the Standardbred venture, a similar program was launched in 1975 for Thoroughbreds. In 1995 there were ten Ontario Sires Stakes Thoroughbred races with a total purse value of \$821,250.

Trillium Series

In an effort to promote the development of the Standardbred broodmare band in Ontario, ten races for two-year-old fillies were established eight years ago. Five races each for trotters and pacers went for a total purse of \$770,005.

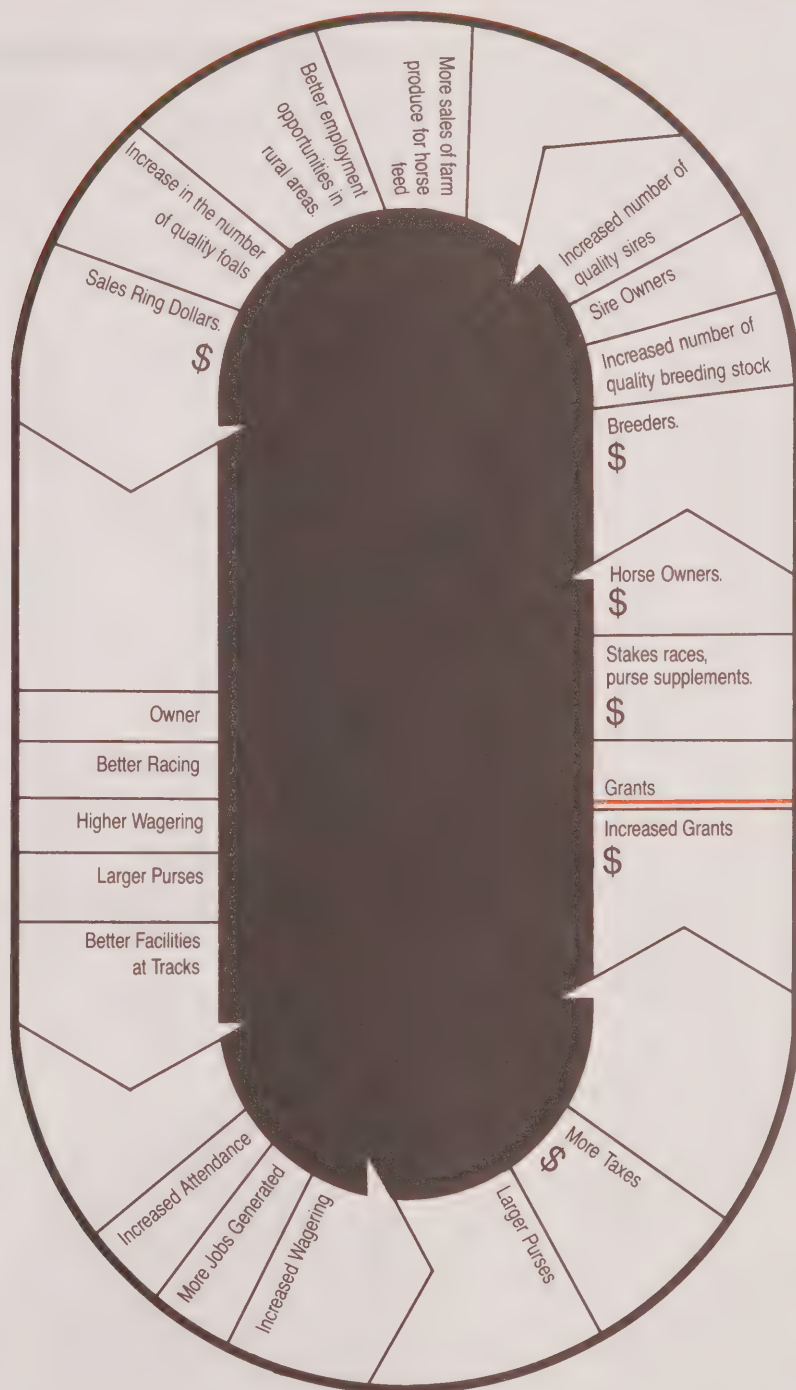
Thoroughbred Racing Incentives

Further assistance is allocated to the Thoroughbred industry through an incentive program for breeders which includes purse support to existing stakes to improve the sales appeal of Canadian-bred horses. In 1995, the total purse value of government supported stakes races was \$4,520,000. This figure includes Ontario Sires Stakes races but does not include starting fees to these races.

CONCLUSION

The Improvement Program is an excellent example of business and government working together to provide very tangible benefits to the residents of Ontario. Since its inception in 1974, this program has played a direct role in increasing employment in the racing industry, in helping small Ontario farms remain economically stable and, of course, in enhancing the enjoyment for the more than 5.5 million people who attend racing annually.

How the Program Stimulates Growth Within the Ontario Racing Industry



Total 1994 Wagering

\$1,066,771,633

2% Of 1994 Wagering Handle:

Standardbred:	
Supervised Tracks	\$11,339,509
Unsupervised Tracks (Fairs)	9,386
Triactor Tax Rebate	3,766,935
Thoroughbred	9,973,101
Triactor Tax Rebate	2016,655
Quarter Horse	13,435
Triactor Tax Rebate	2,005
Total 1995 Rebate	<u>\$27,121,026</u>

1995 Standardbred Program

Equine Research & Wellness Fund	113,395
Overnight Purse Supplements	8,812,447
Ontario Sires Stakes	5,045,810
Trillium Series	430,000
Publicity Budget	325,000
Breeders' Award	379,792
Unsupervised Tracks Purse Grants	9,386

Total Standardbred Program

15,115,830

1995 Thoroughbred Program

Equine Research	99,731
Overnight Purse Supplements	8,323,018
Racing and Breeding Incentives	3,567,007

Total Thoroughbred Program

11,989,756

1995 Quarter Horse Program

15,440

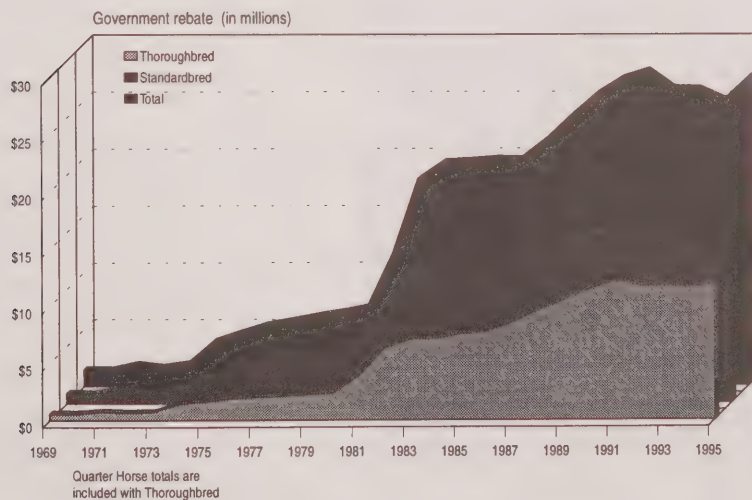
Total 1995 Assistance Program

\$27,121,026

Dollar Value Of The Improvement Program – 1968 To Present

Year	Standardbred Program	Thoroughbred Program	Quarter Horse Program	Program
1968	908,900	616,100		1,525,000
1969	930,438	570,269		1,500,707
1970	900,215	564,740		1,464,955
1971	1,175,877	774,168		1,950,045
1972	1,031,003	670,322		1,701,325
1973	1,266,493	747,010		2,013,503
1974	2,510,639	1,442,525		3,953,164
1975	3,027,349	1,662,351		4,689,700
1976	3,482,000	1,892,300		5,374,300
1977	3,711,000	2,030,100	4,300	5,745,400
1978	4,033,000	2,126,000	1,000	6,160,000
1979	4,249,000	2,250,000	1,000	6,500,000
1980	4,545,000	2,414,900	1,000	6,960,900
1981	7,736,000	3,942,000	2,000	11,680,000
1982	11,830,000	6,370,900	2,000	18,202,900
1983	12,604,000	7,092,000	2,000	19,698,000
1984	12,606,700	7,186,000	2,000	19,794,700
1985	12,370,200	7,579,400	1,648	19,951,248
1986	12,110,261	7,821,448	1,694	19,933,403
1987	13,048,446	8,574,346	2,793	21,625,585
1988	14,065,044	9,668,837	2,362	23,736,243
1989	15,129,484	10,516,099	2,822	25,648,405
1990	15,540,684	11,492,815	4,891	27,038,390
1991	15,496,549	12,194,895	6,698	27,698,142
1992	14,331,016	11,807,953	5,161	26,144,130
1993	14,186,216	11,890,239	3,722	26,080,177
1994	13,387,713	11,710,823	2,788	25,101,324
1995	15,115,830	11,989,756	15,440	27,121,026

Improvement Program Funding



Thoroughbred Improvement Program



Basqueian, 1995 Sovereign Award winner Older Colt/Gelding

Photo: David Landry

1995 Thoroughbred Improvement Program

Allocation of Thoroughbred Improvement Program Funds

Total 1995 Thoroughbred Wagering	\$498,655,065
Provincial Rebate (2%)	\$9,973,101
Less 1% for Equine Research and Wellness Fund	99,731
Balance	\$10,013,544
Add: Triactor Rebate	2,016,655
Balance available for Improvement Program	\$11,890,025
Overnight Purse Supplements (70%)	\$8,323,018
Racing & Breeding Incentives (30%)	\$3,567,007

Overnight Purse Supplements

1971 through 1995

Year	Amount
1971	774,168
1972	630,322
1973	747,010
1974	1,104,420
1975	1,233,638
1976	1,406,100
1977	1,509,450
1978	1,581,500
1979	1,674,750
1980	1,678,900
1981	1,969,080
1982	4,282,700
1983	4,861,000
1984	4,956,900
1985	5,298,200
1986	5,404,962
1987	5,925,281
1988	6,681,338
1989	7,266,325
1990	7,940,730
1991	8,425,833
1992	8,158,351
1993	8,215,627
1994	8,090,833
1995	8,323,018

Allocation of Funds to Thoroughbred Stakes Races

Allocation of Funds to the Incentive Program

Stakes Supplements

Canadian-bred Filly and Mare Stakes		\$370,000
Fury Stakes	Ontario Damsel Stakes	
Shady Well Stakes	Ontario Lassie Stakes	
Bison City Stakes	Fanfreleuche Stakes	
Wonder Where Stakes	Jammed Lovely Stakes	
Princess Elizabeth Stakes		
Open Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes		\$485,000
Whimsical Stakes	Nassau Stakes	
Star Shoot Stakes	Natalma Stakes	
Seaway Stakes	Canadian Stakes	
Selene Stakes	My Dear Stakes	
Duchess Stakes	Mazarine Stakes	
Hendrie Handicap	Ontario Fashion Stakes	
Belle Mahone	Maple Leaf Stakes	
Canadian-bred Colt Stakes		\$255,000
Achievement Stakes	Plate Trial Stakes	
Queenston Stakes	Clarendon Stakes	
Vandal Stakes		
Open Stakes		
Canadian Oaks	E. P. Taylor Stakes	\$160,000
Ontario Sires Stakes		
Stakes for O.S.S. eligible horses		\$530,000
Victoriana Stakes	Bunty Lawless Stakes	
Nandi Stakes	Sir Barton Stakes	
Shepperton Stakes	Kingarvie Stakes	
Bull Page Stakes	Lady Angela Stakes	
La Prevoyante Stakes	New Providence Stakes	
Ontario Breeders' Improvement Stakes		
Restricted Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes		\$250,000
Ontario Matron Stakes		
Ontario Debutante Stakes		
Ontario Colleen Stakes		
Glorious Song (Open)		
Sales Stakes		
6 Yearling Sales Stakes for Canadian-breds		
Muskoka Stakes	Algoma	\$450,000
Simcoe Stakes	Halton Stakes	
Elgin Stakes	Kenora Stakes	
Juvenile Stakes (CTHS Two Year Old in Training Sales Stakes - Colt & Filly Divisions)		\$70,000
Breeders Awards for Canadian-breds		\$605,000
Owners Awards for Ontario-breds		\$310,000
Canadian-bred Promotion Program		\$82,007
Total Allocation of Funds to the Incentive Program		\$3,567,007

1995 Thoroughbred Incentive Program by Division

	Number of Races	Div.	Track Added Added \$	Government Added Added \$	Total \$
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Ontario Sires Stakes

(not including entry fees)

2 y/o	1	1	22,000	53,000	185,000
2 y/o Fillies	1	1	22,000	53,000	100,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	22,000	53,000	100,000
3 y/o Fillies	2	2	44,000	106,000	200,000
3 y/o Colts And Geldings	1	1	22,000	53,000	85,000
3 y/o & Upwards	3	3	66,000	106,000	285,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	1	1	44,000	53,000	100,000
Total Ontario Sires Stakes	10	10	220,000	530,000	750,000

Canadian-bred Stakes

2 y/o	2	2	65,000	85,000	150,000
2 y/o Fillies	5	6	180,000	245,000	425,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	25,000	75,000	100,000
3 y/o	3	3	80,000	170,000	250,000
3 y/o Fillies	6	6	290,000	260,000	550,000
3 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	25,000	75,000	100,000
3 y/o & Upwards	2	2	50,000	150,000	200,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	1	1	25,000	75,000	100,000
Total Canadian-bred Stakes	21	22	740,000	1,135,000	1,875,000

Supplemental Stakes

2 y/o Fillies	6	7	185,000	280,000	465,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	15,000	35,000	50,000
3 y/o Fillies	4	4	175,000	165,000	340,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	6	6	460,000	265,000	725,000
4 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	4	4	155,000	160,000	315,000
Total Supplemental Stakes	21	22	990,000	905,000	1,895,000

Total Racing Incentive Program	56	57	1,950,000	2,570,000	4,520,000
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Ontario Sires Stakes

The Ontario Sires Stakes are a series of ten races restricted to progeny of stallions standing in the Province of Ontario and registered with the program at the Ontario Racing Commission. The stallion must also be owned or leased by an Ontario resident. A popular bonus of this program is that although you must breed to an Ontario stallion, the foal does not have to be Canadian-bred to run in these races. This benefits the stallion owner by attracting out-of-province mares because regardless of where the foal is dropped, it is eligible to these races.

Breakdown of the 1995 Thoroughbred Ontario Sires Stakes

Date	Ontario Sires Stakes	Track Money Added	Gov't Money Added	Starting Fees	Total Purse
May 6	3 Y/O Fillies <i>Lady Angela Stakes</i>	\$22,000	\$53,000	\$5,250	\$80,250
May 20	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>New Providence Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	6,750	81,750
July 15	2 Y/O Fillies <i>Nandi Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	6,000	81,000
July 29	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>Shepperton Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	8,250	83,250
Aug. 5	2 Y/O Colts & Geldings <i>Bull Page Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	9,000	84,000
Sept. 9	3 Y/O & Upwards Fillies & Mares <i>Victoriana Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	6,750	81,750
Oct. 7	3 Y/O Fillies <i>La Prevoyante Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	6,750	81,750
Oct. 21	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>Bunty Lawless Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	10,500	85,500
Nov. 5	3 Y/O Colts & Geldings <i>Sir Barton Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	4,500	79,500
Dec. 2	2 Y/O <i>Kingarvie Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	7,500	82,500
Total		\$220,000	\$530,000	\$71,250	821,250

Thoroughbred Stallions

Stallions Registered For Ontario Sires Stakes Program

	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
Thoroughbred	93	81	69	68	69

Yearling Sales Statistics

As a major indicator of the health of the industry, statistics on sales ring activity can be used to gauge business trends and the effect of the improvement program funds. The increase in value of the Thoroughbred stakes program as a result of the government rebate program has had the effect of improving the pedigrees of Canadian-bred and Ontario-sired horses which in turn improves their marketability and performance in the sales.

Canadian Breeders Sales

Canadian Breeders Sales, the province's major Thoroughbred sales company, benefits from the improvement program through six stakes restricted to sales graduates. This promotes the sale and increases the earning potential of horses that pass through the sales ring.

Yearling Sales Statistics

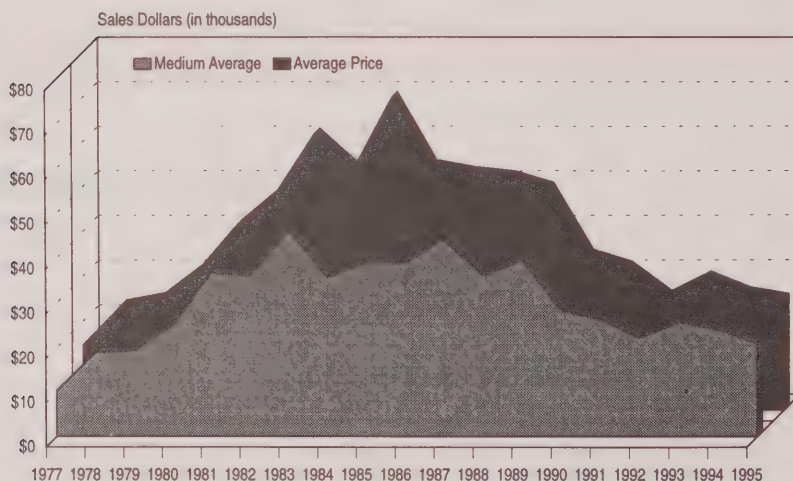
September Yearling Sale - Selected Canadian-breds

Year	Sold	Gross	Average	% Change from Prior Year	Median	Median Average*
1980	202	6,389,000	31,629	25.6%		25,033
1981	231	9,598,700	41,553	31.4%		36,714
1982	233	11,358,500	48,749	17.3%		36,120
1983	218	13,499,000	61,922	27.0%	40,000	46,259
1984	211	11,424,500	54,145	-12.6%	25,000	35,716
1985	189	13,273,000	70,228	29.7%	33,000	39,179
1986	201	11,032,000	54,886	-21.8%	35,000	39,062
1987	233	12,418,000	53,296	-2.9%	37,000	44,120
1988	206	10,785,500	52,357	-1.8%	30,000	36,051
1989	216	10,760,000	49,815	-4.9%	35,000	39,586
1990	183	6,383,000	34,880	-29.9%	25,000	28,286
1991	138	4,424,700	32,063	-8.1%	23,000	26,400
1992	154	3,948,900	25,642	-20.0%	20,000	22,257
1993	149	4,452,500	29,883	16.5%	23,000	25,790
1994	116	3,056,900	26,353	-11.8%	20,000	24,120
1995	131	3,251,900	24,823	-5.8%	20,000	21,054

* Median Average = median price excluding the top 10% and the bottom 10%

Yearling Sales Averages

September Yearling Sale



September Yearling Sale - Selected Canadian-breds

Year	Top 50 Sold		Top 50 Ontario-Sired	
	Sales \$	Average	Sales \$	Average
1980	4,015,000	80,300	2,818,000	56,360
1981	5,123,000	102,460	3,391,000	67,820
1982	5,930,000	118,600	3,440,000	68,800
1983	7,906,000	158,120	3,792,000	75,840
1984	7,462,000	149,240	2,856,000	57,120
1985	9,571,000	191,420	2,408,000	48,160
1986	6,823,000	136,460	3,134,000	62,680
1987	6,395,000	127,900	3,617,000	72,340
1988	6,709,000	134,180	2,632,000	52,640
1989	5,771,000	115,420	3,124,000	62,480
1990	3,749,000	74,980	1,724,000	34,480
1991	3,057,000	61,140	1,590,500	31,810
1992	2,501,500	50,030	1,728,500	34,570
1993	2,687,000	53,740	1,827,500	36,550
1994	2,137,000	42,740	1,449,500	28,990
1995	2,199,000	43,980	1,395,500	27,910

Performance of Ontario Sires

1995 September Yearling Sale

Stallion	Stud Fee	No. Sold	Total
Ascot Knight	3,500	7	182,500
Bold Executive	2,000	7	138,500
Bold Revenue	1,250	1	11,000
Bold Ruckus	15,000	9	316,000
Briartic	6,000	1	18,000
Charlie Barley	3,500	4	32,500
Cool Victor	10,000	1	17,000
Damasca Dan	1,000	1	17,000
Great Gladiator	3,500	8	124,500
Inspired Prospect	1,500	1	10,000
Iskandar Elakbar	1,500	1	27,000
Mt. Magazine	1,000	1	20,000
Mythical Ruler	5,000	3	28,500
Properous	n/a	1	7,700
Regal Classic	12,500	10	176,500
Regal Intention	7,500	7	167,000
Secret Claim	2,500	1	20,000
Shotiche	3,500	8	153,500
Stonewalk	1,000	1	13,000
Tralos	1,500	6	132,500
Vice Regent	15,000	1	43,000
Average Stud Fee:	\$4,912		
No. Sold:	80		
Total Sales:	\$1,655,700		
Average:	\$20,696		

Highest Prices at the September Yearling Sale

Yearlings which sold for \$65,000 and more

\$115,000	ch. c. by Private Account - Reasonable Sin by Sinister Purpose (consigned by Michael C. Byrne, agent) bought by Edna P. Benson
\$ 95,000	Darby Jane, dk.b./br.f. by Silver Deputy - Lady D'Arbanville by Cornish Prince (consigned by Trifactor Stable, agent for Lady Slipper Farm) bought by R. Glenn Sikura, agent
\$ 77,000	dk.b./br. f. by Bold Ruckus - Uptown Girl by Taylor's Falls (consigned by Michael C. Byrne, agent for Park Stud) bought by Josham Farms, agent
\$ 75,000	Taratore, b. f. by Danzatore - Timatara by Secretariat (consigned by Huntington Stud Farm) bought by Roger Attfield
\$ 75,000	gr./ro. c. by El Prado - Just Married by Allen's Prospect (consigned by Michael C. Byrne, agent) bought by Dan Kenny, agent
\$ 73,000	dk.b./br.c. by Alwuhush - Bees'n' Honey by Geiger Counter (consigned by Michael C. Byrne, agent) bought by Stephen Chiu
\$ 67,000	ch. c. by Deposit Ticket - Set Destiny by Marshua's Dancer (consigned by Willaim Gierkink) bought by Hart Farm
\$ 67,000	dr.b./br.f. by Ascot Knight - Retinue by Vice Regent (consigned by Windfields Farm) bought by Windsong Farms II
\$ 65,000	dk.b./br.c. by Silver Deputy - Targhese (FR) by Targowice (consigned by Michael C. Byrne, agent) bought by Lillingston Bloodstock
\$ 65,000	ch.f. by Anshan - Aunt Arctic by Full Pocket (consigned by Warren Beasley) bought by James E. Day, agent

Horses Purchased by Out-Of-Province Buyers

In 1995 the number of horses purchased by out-of-province buyers from the October Breeding Sale, October Yearling Sale and September Yearling Sale in Toronto was 32, for a total value of \$1,159,000.

The sustained support of foreign buyers indicates the attractiveness of the "made in Canada" product.

	No. Sold	\$ Value
Canada (outside Ontario)	2	84,000
United States	28	970,000
Overseas	2	105,000
Total	32	1,159,000

Standardbred Improvement Programs



An early evening crowd gathers for the races at Hiawatha Horse Park.

Photo: Clive Cohen



Cathedra won all of her Gold final events to accumulate earnings in the Two Year Old Filly Pac-ing category of \$330,825.

Photo: Rodney L. Denis

1995 Standardbred Improvement Program

Allocation of Standardbred Improvement Program Funds

Total 1994 Standardbred Wagering - Supervised Tracks	\$566,975,448
Provincial Rebate (2% of wagering handle)	\$11,339,509
Less: 1% of Rebate for Equine Research and Wellness Assurance Fund	(113,395)
Less: .05% of Rebate for O.S.S. program	(56,698)
Balance	11,169,416
Add: Triactor Rebate	3,766,935
Balance available for Improvement Program including Triactor Rebate	\$14,936,351
Overnight Purse Supplements (59%)	\$8,812,447
1995 Racing and Breeding Incentives (41%)	\$6,123,904
Less: Trillium Series	(430,000)
Publicity and Promotion Budget	(325,000)
Add: Additional Funds (0.5%) as shown above	56,698
Balance Available for the Ontario Sires Stakes	\$5,425,602

Overnight Purse Supplements

Grants To Increase Purses Other Than Stakes Races

Track	Total 1995 Overnight Purse Supplements
CLASS I	
Ontario Jockey Club	\$3,168,385
Windsor	1,030,063
CLASS II	
Flamboro Downs	994,729
CLASS III	
Rideau Carleton	395,604
Western Fair	457,247
Barrie	276,349
Elmira	281,603
Hiawatha	218,466
Sudbury Downs	237,829
Kawartha Downs	132,404
Kingston Park	93,343
Orangeville	106,286
CLASS IV	
Dresden	95,470
Woodstock	78,862
Belleville	77,375
Hanover	69,551
Clinton	29,487
TOTAL	\$8,812,447

1971 through 1995

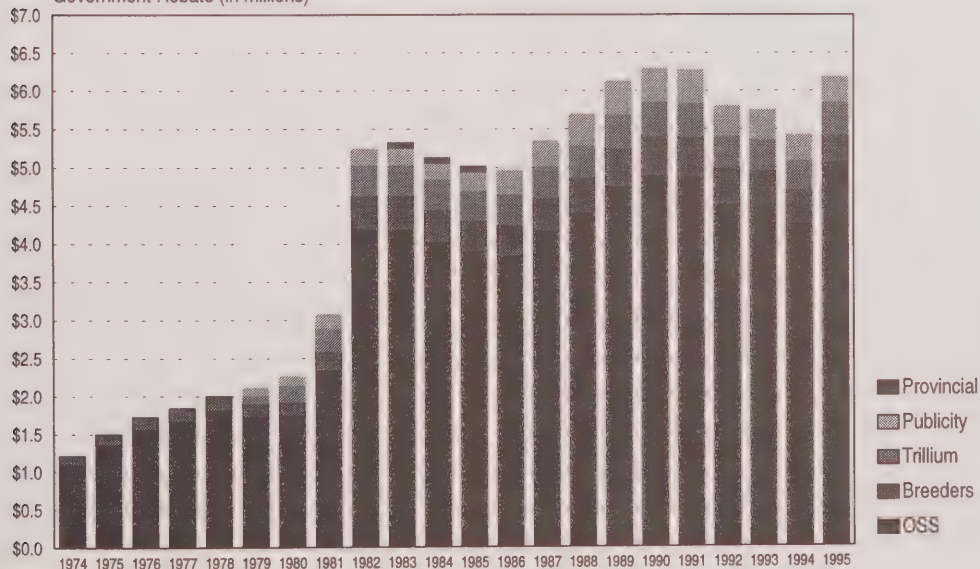
Year	Amount
1971	\$1,175,877
1972	1,031,003
1973	1,266,493
1974	1,266,493
1975	1,497,391
1976	1,724,750
1977	1,839,250
1978	2,000,000
1979	2,108,000
1980	2,256,000
1981	4,602,000
1982	6,362,000
1983	7,174,000
1984	7,377,200
1985	7,254,650
1986	7,007,561
1987	7,550,792
1988	8,192,437
1989	8,812,878
1990	9,015,932
1991	9,026,491
1992	8,347,375
1993	8,265,285
1994	7,801,220
1995	8,812,447

Racing and Breeding Incentives - 1974 to present

Year	Ontario Sires Stakes Races	Breeders' Awards	Publicity and Promotion Budget	Trillium Series	Interprovincial Series	Total Incentives Program Funds
1974	1,091,156	121,240				1,212,396
1975	1,347,652	149,739				1,497,391
1976	1,552,275	172,475				1,724,750
1977	1,655,325	183,925				1,839,250
1978	1,800,000	200,000				2,000,000
1979	1,721,700	191,300	89,600	105,400		2,108,000
1980	1,737,900	193,100	100,000	225,000		2,256,000
1981	2,332,128	259,072	170,000	306,800		3,068,000
1982	4,175,120	463,880	192,000	400,000		5,231,000
1983	4,173,800	463,700	210,000	400,000	75,000	5,322,500
1984	4,006,000	445,100	200,000	400,000	75,000	5,126,100
1985	3,873,818	430,432	235,000	400,000	75,000	5,014,250
1986	3,828,990	425,416	300,000	400,000		4,954,406
1987	4,144,861	460,520	315,000	420,000		5,340,381
1988	4,385,751	487,304	400,000	420,000		5,693,055
1989	4,728,784	525,420	430,000	440,000		6,124,204
1990	4,878,293	542,032	430,000	440,000		6,290,325
1991	4,862,382	540,265	430,000	440,000		6,272,647
1992	4,500,634	500,084	390,000	410,000		5,800,718
1993	4,458,312	495,360	380,000	410,000		5,743,672
1994	4,240,067	471,119	330,000	380,000		5,421,186
1995	5,045,802	379,800	430,000	325,000		6,180,602

Racing and Breeding Incentives

Government Rebate (in millions)



Trillium Series

The Trillium Series is a program of five pacing races and five trotting races for two-year-old fillies. In 1995 the Series was contested for a total of \$770,005 in purses.

Restricted to fillies which are at least 75% owned by Ontario residents, the program was designed to encourage the purchase of well-bred fillies which would eventually enter the broodmare ranks in the province.

Fillies Nominated and Sustained

	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
No. of Fillies Nominated					
Fillies	533	483	483	479	476
No. Of Fillies Sustained					
Pacers	282	265	259	251	262
Trotters	145	110	148	128	132
Total	403	403	316	374	394

1995 Trillium Series For Ontario-owned Fillies

FASTEST MILES

Category	Year	Horse	Time	Track
1/2 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1992	Incredible Way Lady Is A Pro	1:56.4	Flamboro
Trot:	1993	Ambro Monarch	2:02.0	Western Fair
5/8 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1994	Glendale Kim	1:54.3	Kawartha
Trot:	1987	Cosmic Storm	1:59.1	Windsor
7/8 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1995	Cathedra/Worth The Win	1:56.1	Woodbine
Trot:	1995	Tasha Yar	2:00.4	Woodbine

Ontario Sires Stakes - Standardbred Stallions

The foundation of the Ontario Sires Stakes program is the stallions registered with the Ontario Racing Commission. To be eligible to the program the stallion must be owned by an Ontario resident or leased to an Ontario resident for a period of not less than 5 years. Any foals resulting from a breeding to a registered stallion are eligible for nomination to the Ontario Sires Stakes.

Stallions Registered in the Ontario Sires Stakes Program

	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
No. of Stallions	291	190	158	148	130

Leading Standardbred Stallions

	# of O.S.S. Starters	Starters' Earnings
Pacing Stallions		
Run The Table	63	\$1,323,422
Dexter Nukes	44	720,609
Threefold	37	450,772
Armbro Emerson	35	305,688
Apaches Fame	15	266,474
Trotting Stallions		
Balanced Image	58	\$1,121,909
Worthy Bowl	46	730,767
A Go Go Lauxmont	29	639,581
Super Pleasure	26	349,359
Dream Of Glory	35	320,614



Balanced Image



Run The Table

Leading Ontario Sires Stakes Stallions of Two-Year-Olds

Stallion	No. of Starters	No. of Winners	No. of Wins			Fastest Win			Starters' Earnings	Largest Winner
			1/2	5/8	7/8	1/2	5/8	7/8		
Two Year Old Colt Pacers										
Apaches Fame	8	3	5	2	1	1:58.4	1:54.2	1:55.2	\$245,695	Time Stands Still (\$193,161)
Threefold	6	3	1		3	2:02.1		1:55.0	\$197,222	Bradley Seelster (\$66,696)
Dexter Nukes	10	2	1	2	2	1:58.4	1:57.3	1:54.4	\$194,762	Duke Of Abby (\$174,317)
Run The Table	16	5	3	2	1	1:59.4	1:59.3	1:56.2	\$110,860	Twin B Reno (\$32,988)
Fundamentalist	3	2	3		1	1:59.2		1:55.1	\$74,074	Racing Fund (\$56,569)
Two Year Old Filly Pacers										
Run The Table	18	9	5	11	2	2:02.3	1:55.0	1:54.3	\$603,131	Cathedra (\$330,825)
Dexter Nukes	10	2	1	2	1	2:03.3	1:57.1	1:55.4	\$162,437	Althea Seelster (\$123,995)
Threefold	12	1	1			2:01.4			\$68,483	Hayser Creek (\$47,020)
Fundamentalist	3	3	2	1		2:00.2	1:58.0		\$42,899	Worth The Win (\$25,469)
Armbro Emerson	14	3	4			2:01.3			\$42,202	Twin B Kristy (\$14,964)
Two Year Old Colt Trotters										
A Go Go Lauxmont	9	3	3	7	1	2:01.3	2:00.1	2:00.2	\$272,554	B Cor Tingo (\$124,987)
Balanced Image	13	5	1	3	1	2:10.1	2:01.4	1:59.4	\$246,457	Quality Wins (\$63,631)
Super Pleasure	12	3	1	1	1	2:06.4	1:59.4	1:59.3	\$157,773	Seasoned Pleasure (\$67,417)
Worthy Bowl	11	3	3			2:02.2			\$129,189	Lifetime Memories (\$87,709)
Orbell G G	4	2	3			2:05.3			\$60,884	Fiesty G G (\$26,820)
Two Year Old Filly Trotters										
Balanced Image	8	2	4	3	1	2:01.4	2:00.2	1:58.2	\$308,136	Veras Image (\$228,932)
A Go Go Lauxmont	6	3	3	1	1	2:04.2	2:02.4	2:01.1	\$214,778	Berrymeadago (\$109,955)
Super Pleasure	14	3	4	1	1	2:01.4	2:01.4	1:59.4	\$191,586	Tasha Yar (\$114,560)
Orbell G G	3	2	2	1		2:08.0	2:06.0		\$101,308	Odee Gal (\$60,868)
Revolver	7	2	2			2:05.1			\$53,252	Paloma Solombre (\$18,028)

Leading Ontario Sires Stakes Stallions of Three-Year-Olds

Stallion	No. of Starters	No. of Winners	No. of Wins			Fastest Win			Starters' Earnings	Largest Winner
			1/2	5/8	7/8	1/2	5/8	7/8		
Three Year Old Colt Pacers										
Run The Table	13	4	3	4	1	1:55.1	1:54.1	1:52.4	\$307,912	Rabbi Of Racing (\$185,295)
Dexter Nukes	11	3	2	3	2	1:55.3	1:53.0	1:52.0	\$222,991	Real Profit (\$157,844)
Topnotcher	11	5	9	1		1:56.1	1:55.0		\$144,298	Mattawa (\$90,144)
Threefold	9	2	1	1		2:02.0	1:54.4		\$109,921	Fantastic Seelster (\$86,250)
Happy Paysak	1	1	1		1	1:54.1		1:53.0	\$51,089	Best Paysak (\$51,089)
Three Year Old Filly Pacers										
Run The Table	16	6	5	4	1	1:57.0	1:54.2	1:56.1	\$301,519	Elegant Killeen (\$120,923)
Ambro Emerson	8	4	5	1	2	1:57.3	1:56.2	1:54.3	\$204,999	Talking Picture (\$175,664)
Dexter Nukes	13	2		3			1:55.3		\$140,419	Keyed Alike (\$66,608)
Totally Ruthless	6	2	4	2	1	1:59.0	1:56.3	1:54.4	\$110,529	Chelemark Lori (\$79,764)
Threefold	10	1	2			1:58.3			\$74,315	Spring Dee (\$48,710)
Three Year Old Colt Trotters										
Balanced Image	22	6	5	7		1:59.0	1:58.0		\$375,187	Dell Ridge Image (\$129,843)
Worthy Bowl	16	5	3	3		2:03.0	1:57.0		\$143,071	Trustworthy (\$60,154)
Dream Of Glory	14	5	8	1		2:00.4	1:59.0		\$117,613	Bo Zeke (\$28,500)
A Go Go Lauxmont	6	1	1			2:03.4			\$82,849	Going Smartly (\$51,420)
Laryngitis	2	2	2	2		2:00.3	1:58.4		\$71,872	Im Speechless (\$61,158)
Three Year Old Filly Trotters										
Worthy Boiwl	11	4	8	2	3	1:58.3	1:58.0	1:56.3	\$416,447	Worthy Countessa (\$209,030)
Dream Of Glory	20	6	3	5	1	2:04.0	1:59.1	2:00.1	\$203,001	Deanna Troy (\$69,990)
Balanced Image	15	4	3	2		2:02.2	2:00.3		\$192,129	Pondo Cillin (\$73,544)
A Go Go Lauxmont	8	3	4	2		2:01.3	1:59.4		\$69,400	Diana Rigg (\$27,690)
Face To Face	2	1	1			2:01.4			\$67,685	Divorce Attorney (\$67,685)

Ontario Sires Stakes

The Ontario Sires Stakes program was established in 1974 and consists of a series of races for two and three year old trotters and pacers. The program was designed to improve the Ontario Standardbred by providing incentives for breeders and owners to invest their capital in an Ontario product.

Eligibility to the Ontario Sires Stakes is restricted to progeny of stallions standing in the province and registered with the Ontario Racing Commission. Yearlings must then be nominated by May 15th of their yearling year and sustained to race either as two-year-olds or three-year-olds. Nominating and sustaining fees are collected and then distributed together with the Improvement Program Funds in the form of purses.

Horses Nominated and Sustained

No. of Horses Nominated

Year	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995
O.S.S. Number	#20	#21	#22	#23	#24
Colts	1177	1052	921	904	863
Fillies	1122	1050	906	900	896
Total	2299	2102	1827	1804	1759

No. of Horses Sustained

O.S.S. Number	#18	#19	#19	#20	#20	#21	#21	#22	#22	#23
Colts	533	662	421	662	482	603	443	543	389	605
Fillies	504	573	475	565	404	556	402	513	377	575
Total	1037	1235	896	1227	886	1159	845	1056	766	1180

Ontario Sires Stakes – Race Records

Ontario Sires Stakes Race Records (1974–1995)

with World Record Comparisons

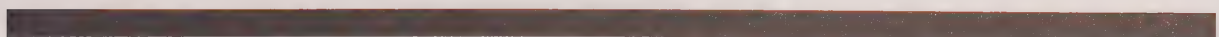
World Record					1974 OSS Records			
Category	Year	Horse	Time	Track	Horse	Time	Horse	Time
1/2 Mile Tracks								
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1994	Mr G	1:54.0	Elmira	Falcon Seelster	1:51.0	Terry Parker	2:04.1
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1993	Classic Wish	1:54.1	Flamboro Downs	She's A Great Lady	1:51.2	Merrywood Sara	2:03.0
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1994	Ambro Marshall	1:58.3	Flamboro Downs	Incredible Abe	1:55.4	Dart Camp	2:08.3
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1995	Worthy Countessa	1:58.3	Barrie	Peace Corps/CR Kay Suzie	1:56.0	Shoein	2:08.0
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1993	C B Flight	1:56.1	Western Fair	Tooter Scooter/W R H/Easter Sun Hanna	1:54.1	Hotspurs Honour	2:07.3
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1994	Elegant Killian	1:58.2	Flamboro Downs	CR Daniella	1:55.3	Western Kate	2:08.0
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1993	Ambro Marshall	1:59.3	Barrie	Royal Troubador	1:58.1	Oakhurst Sargent	2:10.1
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1995	Tasha Yar/Veras Image	2:01.4	Flamboro/Elmira	CR Kay Suzie	1:56.3	Shawland Belle	2:09.1
5/8 Mile Tracks								
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1994	Delayed Decision	1:52.3	Mohawk	Riyadh	1:50.1	Ambro Odyssey	2:02.3
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1993	Jo Car Lyn	1:54.1	Greenwood	Hardie Hanover	1:52.1	Merrywood Sara	2:01.0
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1994	Woodman	1:55.0	Mohawk	Mack Lobell	1:54.1	Dart Camp	2:05.1
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1986	Nadirs Pride	1:57.1	Kawartha Downs	Expressway Hanover	1:55.4	Mia Herbert	2:05.3
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1989	Apaches Fame	1:54.1	Windsor	Artsplace	1:51.1	Pat's Bye Bye	2:05.0
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1995	Cathedra	1:55.0	Mohawk	Central Park West/Hardie Hanover	1:53.3	Epiphany	2:05.4
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1993	Airies Canada	1:58.1	Greenwood	King Couch	1:56.2	Delvin Herbert	2:07.0
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1992	Suspicious Image	1:59.3	Greenwood	CR Kay Suzie	1:56.1	Shawland Belle	2:09.3
7/8 Mile Tracks							1994 OSS Records	
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1995	Real Profit	1:52.0	Woodbine	Pacific Rocket	1:51.0	Mr G/Ambro Maestro	1:52.3
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1995	Talking Picture	1:54.3	Woodbine	Hardie Hanover	1:51.3	Talking Picture (1995)	1:54.3
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1994	Ambro Marshall	1:58.3	Woodbine	Bye Tsem	1:55.1	Ambro Marshall	1:58.3
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1994	Image Of A Clear Day/ Casurina	1:59.1	Woodbine	Image Of A Clear Day	1:56.2	Image Of A Clear Day/ Casurina	1:59.1
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1995	Duke of Abbey	1:54.4	Woodbine	Jennas Beach Boy	1:51.4	Rabbi Of Racing	1:56.1
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1995	Cathedra	1:54.3	Woodbine	Cathedra	1:54.3	Eddloriousness	1:58.2
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1995	Seasoned Pleasure	1:59.3	Woodbine	Eager Seelster	1:58.3	Dell Ridge Image	1:59.3
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1995	Veras Image	1:58.2	Woodbine	Lookout Victory	1:57.2	Goodtime Doll/Brylin Glory	2:02.2

Divisional Leading Money Winners

		Ontario Sires Stakes Earnings	Total 1993 Earnings	Lifetime Record
Three-Year-Old Colt Pace				
	Rabbi Of Racing (Run The Table)	\$185,295	\$373,230	1:52.4S
	Real Profit (Dexter Nukes)	157,844	177,087	1:52.0S
	Clever Killean (Run The Table)	91,276	140,948	1:53.4F
	Mattawa (Topnotcher)	90,144	121,646	1:55.0F
	Fantastic Seelster (Threefold)	86,250	118,844	1:54.3S
Three-Year-Old Filly Pace				
	Talking Picture (Armbro Emerson)	\$175,664	\$205,652	1:54.3S
	Elegant Killean (Run The Table)	120,923	292,778	1:52.1M
	Chelemark Lori (Totally Ruthless)	79,764	142,294	1:54.4S
	Keyed Alike (Dexter Nukes)	66,608	118,203	1:55.3F
	Shower Massage (Run The Table)	57,574	76,126	1:55.2S
Three-Year-Old Colt Trot				
	Dell Ridge Image (Balanced Image)	\$129,843	\$157,807	1:58.0F
	Im No Walton (Balanced Image)	103,412	200,074	1:57.3S
	Tower of Strength (Balanced Image)	67,662	130,557	2:00.4F
	Im Speechless (Laryngitis)	61,158	69,598	1:58.1F
	Trustworthy (Worthy Bowl)	60,154	281,435	1:55.2M
Three-Year-Old Filly Trot				
	Worthy Countessa (Worthy Bowl)	\$209,030	\$219,092	1:56.3S
	Brylin Glory (Worthy Bowl)	160,214	210,248	1:59.0H
	Pondo Cillin (Balanced Image)	73,544	126,716	2:00.1S
	Deanna Troy (Dream Of Glory)	69,990	85,786	1:59.2F
	Divorce Attorney (Face To Face)	67,685	80,583	Q1:58.3F
Two Year Old Colt Pace				
	Time Stands Still (Apaches Fame)	\$193,161	\$226,723	1:54.2F
	Duke Of Abby (Dexter Nukes)	174,317	267,585	1:54.4F
	Bradley Seelster (Threefold)	66,696	67,906	1:55.0S
	Racing Fund (Fundamentalist)	56,569	78,964	1:55.1S
	Ny Kick (Threefold)	51,050	74,194	1:56.0S
Two-Year-Old Filly Pace				
	Cathedral (Run The Table)	\$330,825	\$435,153	1:54.3S
	Althea Seelster (Dexter Nukes)	123,995	206,545	1:55.3F
	Debbielynnkillean (Run The Table)	95,245	145,074	2:00.0H
	Hayser Creek (Threefold)	47,020	65,542	1:57.1F
	Tush Push (Run The Table)	46,066	74,577	1:57.3S
Two-Year-Old Colt Trot				
	B Cor Tingo (A Go Go Lauxmont)	\$124,987	\$177,428	2:00.1F
	Shower Gift (A Go Go Lauxmont)	97,448	97,860	2:00.2S
	Lifetime Memories (Worthy Bowl)	87,709	99,802	2:03.3H
	Seasoned Pleasure (Super Pleasure)	67,417	120,682	1:59.3S
	Quality Wins (Balanced Image)	63,631	75,592	2:03.4F
Two-Year-Old Filly Trot				
	Veras Image (Balanced Image)	\$228,932	\$376,781	1:58.2S
	Tasha Yar (Super Pleasure)	114,560	151,558	1:59.4S
	Berrymeadago (A Go Go Lauxmont)	109,955	200,905	2:00.2F
	Odee Gal (Orbel G G)	60,868	109,174	2:02.0F
	Princess Vicky (A Go Go Lauxmont)	53,948	84,968	2:02.0F

Summary of the 1995 Racing Program

	No. of Races		No. of Divisions			Nominating	Sustaining	Start	Track
	Gold	GR	Gold	CH	GR	Total	Fees	Fees	Fees
OSS 22 – Three Year Old Program									
3 Y/O Colt Pace	5	5	17	25	42	11,987.50	136,800.00	148,570.00	125,000.00
3 Y/O Filly Pace	5	5	20	23	43	11,987.50	137,400.00	149,720.00	125,000.00
3 Y/O Colt Trot	5	5	19	18	37	11,987.50	96,600.00	143,040.00	125,000.00
3 Y/O Filly Trot	5	5	19	15	34	11,987.50	88,800.00	133,200.00	125,000.00
Total	20	20	75	81	156	47,950.00	459,600.00	574,530.00	500,000.00
OSS 23 – Two Year Old Program									
2 Y/O Colt Pace	5	5	20	18	38	12,512.50	157,600.00	157,230.00	125,000.00
2 Y/O Filly Pace	5	5	17	25	42	12,512.50	144,000.00	146,850.00	125,000.00
2 Y/O Colt Trot	5	5	18	12	30	12,512.50	84,400.00	145,350.00	125,000.00
2 Y/O Filly Trot	5	5	17	12	29	12,512.50	86,000.00	139,100.00	125,000.00
Total	20	20	72	67	139	50,050.00	472,000.00	588,530.00	500,000.00
Total OSS 22 & OSS 23	40	40	147	148	295	98,000.00	931,600.00	1,163,060.00	1,000,000.00
Trillium Series									
2 Y/O Filly Pace	5		15		15	31,650.00	78,600.00	61,740.00	47,250.00
2 Y/O Filly Trot	5		12		12	15,950.00	39,600.00	42,720.00	22,500.00
Total	10		27		27	47,600.00	118,200.00	104,460.00	69,750.00
Total Racing Program	50	40	174	148	322	145,600.00	1,049,800.00	1,267,520.00	1,069,750.00
Future Program									
OSS 23									
1/2 1994 Yearling Nominations						50,050.00			
OSS 24									
1995 Yearling Nominations						97,450.00			
Program Grand Total	50	40	174	148	322	293,100.00	1,049,800.00	1,267,520.00	1,069,750.00

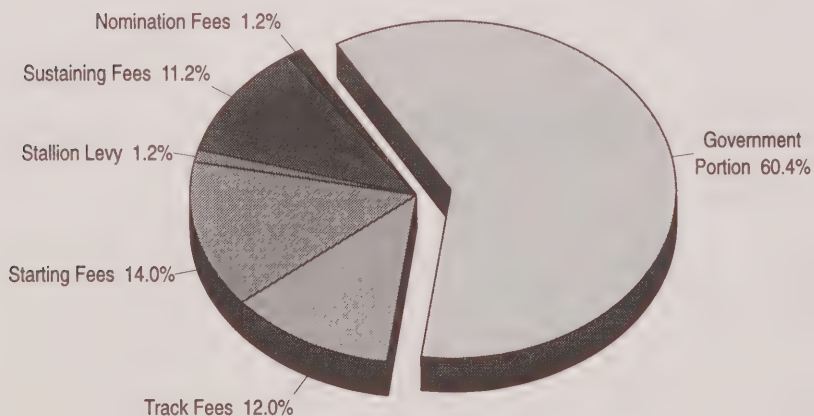


Government Grant (Net Breeders' Awards)	Stallion Levy to Grassroots	Gold	Purse Grassroots	Total	Breeder's Awards Gold Events only	Total Program
630,713.25	11,620.25	821,842.00	242,849.00	1,064,691.00	47,475.00	1,112,166.00
630,674.25	11,671.25	823,865.00	242,588.00	1,066,453.00	47,475.00	1,113,928.00
630,704.95	8,205.55	787,436.00	228,102.00	1,015,538.00	47,475.00	1,063,013.00
630,710.50	7,543.00	771,922.00	225,319.00	997,241.00	47,475.00	1,044,716.00
2,522,802.95	39,040.05	3,205,065.00	938,858.00	4,143,923.00	189,900.00	4,333,823.00
630,709.40	19,553.10	844,998.00	257,607.00	1,102,605.00	47,475.00	1,150,080.00
630,701.75	17,865.75	825,209.00	251,721.00	1,076,930.00	47,475.00	1,124,405.00
630,711.20	10,471.30	781,481.00	226,964.00	1,008,445.00	47,475.00	1,055,920.00
630,705.65	10,669.85	775,608.00	228,380.00	1,003,988.00	47,475.00	1,051,463.00
2,522,828.00	58,560.00	3,227,296.00	964,672.00	4,191,968.00	189,900.00	4,381,868.00
5,045,630.95	97,600.05	6,432,361.00	1,903,530.00	8,335,891.00	379,800.00	8,715,691.00
214,996.00		434,236.00		434,236.00		434,236.00
214,999.00		335,769.00		335,769.00		335,769.00
429,995.00		770,005.00		770,005.00		770,005.00
5,475,625.95	97,600.05	7,202,366.00	1,903,530.00	9,105,896.00	379,800.00	9,485,696.00
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5,475,625.95	97,600.05	7,202,366.00	1,903,530.00	9,105,896.00	379,800.00	9,633,196.00

Composition of Ontario Sires Stakes and Trillium Purses

	\$	%
Ontario Sires Stakes #22 & # 23		
Total Nomination Fees	\$98,000.00	1.2%
Total Sustaining Fees	931,600.00	11.2%
Starting Fees	1,163,060.00	14.0%
Track Portion	1,000,000.00	12.0%
Stallion Levy (to Grassroot Series Purses)	97,600.05	1.2%
Government Portion of Purses	5,045,630.95	60.4%
Total Ontario Sires Stakes Purses	\$8,335,891.00	100.0%
Breeders' Awards	\$379,800.00	
Total Ontario Sires Stakes Program	\$8,715,691.00	
Trillium Series		
Total Nomination Fees	47,600.00	6.2%
Total Sustaining Fees	118,200.00	15.3%
Starting Fees	104,460.00	13.6%
Track Portion	69,750.00	9.1%
Government Portion of Purses	429,995.00	55.8%
Total Trillium Purses	\$770,0050.00	100.0%
Total Standardbred Program	\$9,485,696.00	

Composition of Ontario Sires Stakes Purses



Yearling Sales Statistics

Canadian Classic Yearling Sale

Canadian Standardbred Horse Society

Year	Top 50 Sold		% change	Top 50 Ontario-sired		% change
	Sales \$	Average		Sales \$	Average	
1985	1,720,000	34,400	3.3%	1,659,000	33,180	11.4%
1986	2,002,000	40,040	16.4%	1,528,000	30,560	-7.9%
1987	2,164,000	43,280	8.1%	2,020,000	40,400	32.2%
1988	1,828,000	36,560	-15.5%	1,651,000	33,020	-18.3%
1989	1,515,000	30,300	-17.1%	1,383,000	27,660	-16.2%
1990	1,270,500	25,410	-16.1%	1,039,000	20,780	-24.8%
1991	1,389,500	27,790	9.4%	1,326,500	26,530	27.8%
1992	1,349,500	26,990	-2.8%	1,231,500	24,630	-7.1%
1993	1,464,000	29,280	8.5%	1,353,000	27,060	9.8%
1994	1,716,000	34,320	17.2%	1,685,000	33,700	24.5%
1995	2,292,000	45,840	33.6%	2,196,000	43,920	30.3%

Ontario Stallion Statistics

Canadian Classic Yearling Sale

Stallion	Stud Fee \$	No. Sold	Total \$	Average \$
Apaches Fame	3,000	8	80,600	10,075
Armbr Emerson	2,500	5	31,200	6,240
Balanced Image	15,000	21	742,500	35,357
Brando Hanover	1,500	2	9,700	4,850
Brisco Hanover	3,500	4	51,000	12,750
Cameleon	2,000	2	21,500	10,750
Camluck	4,000	30	531,700	17,723
Carlsbad Cam	3,500	25	398,700	15,948
Cheyenne Spur	3,000	9	144,200	16,022
Coal Harbor	1,000	2	7,200	3,600
Dexter Nukes	5,000	39	1,020,800	26,174
Easy Goer	2,500	3	29,200	9,733
Fundamentalist	1,000	2	9,700	4,850
Happy Paysak	1,500	1	3,200	3,200
King Conch	5,000	23	613,700	26,682
Ralph Hanover	1,000	3	12,200	4,066
Royal Strength	3,500	19	223,500	11,763
Run The Table	8,000	32	839,900	26,246
Super Pleasure	4,000	8	92,000	11,500
Take A Look	1,000	1	7,000	7,000
Topnotcher	3,000	6	41,200	6,866
Totally Ruthless	2,000	1	8,200	8,200
Veeba Rova	1,500	1	24,000	24,000

Average Stud Fee:	\$3,291	No. Sold at Sale:	250
Average Sale Price:	\$19,877	Total Sales:	\$4,969,250

1995 Standardbred Improvement Program - Unsupervised Tracks

As part of the Racetracks Tax Sharing Arrangement, two percent of the amount wagered at unsupervised tracks (fairs) is rebated by the province to the respective agricultural societies. These funds are used to enhance the level of purses distributed at the fairs where standardbred racing is conducted. The Ontario Racing Commission does not supervise the operation of fair racing.

1994 Standardbred Wagering - Unsupervised Tracks

	\$469,338
Provincial Rebate (2% of wagering handle)	\$8,167.00
Daily allocation based on 36 days of racing	\$253.67

Purse Supplement

1995 Wagering Statistics			1995 Improvement Program		
Track	1995 Dates	Wagering \$	1994 Dates	Daily Supplement	1995 Purse Supplement
Ancaster	2	37,555	2	\$	\$507.34
Arnprior	1	4,157	1		\$253.67
Beamsville	2	22,029	2		\$507.34
Binbrook	2	19,722	2		\$507.34
Brockville	2	9,894	4		\$507.34
Brooklin	1	11,945	1		\$253.67
Burford			1		
Dorchester	1	5,838	1		\$253.67
Forest	1	3,327	1		\$253.67
Markham	2	60,086	2		\$507.34
Melbourne	1	5,140	1		\$253.67
Norwood	1	14,141	1		\$253.67
Ohswegen	1	6,873	1		\$253.67
Orillia	1	4,787	1		\$253.67
Orono	1	18,890	1		\$253.67
Paris	2	46,667	1		\$507.34
Parkhill	1	1,493	1		\$253.67
Perth	1	19,533	1		\$253.67
Port Perry	1	12,277	1		\$253.67
Rodney	1	4,020	1		\$253.67
Shedden	1	3,489	1		\$253.67
Simcoe	4	55,651	4		\$907.16
South Mountain	2	9,734	2		\$1,014.68
Spencerville	1	8,903	1		\$253.67
Sutton	1	11,810	1		\$253.67
Tillsonburg	1	6,868	1		\$253.67
Wallacetown	1	3,543	1		\$253.67
Total	36	408,372	37		\$9,386.00

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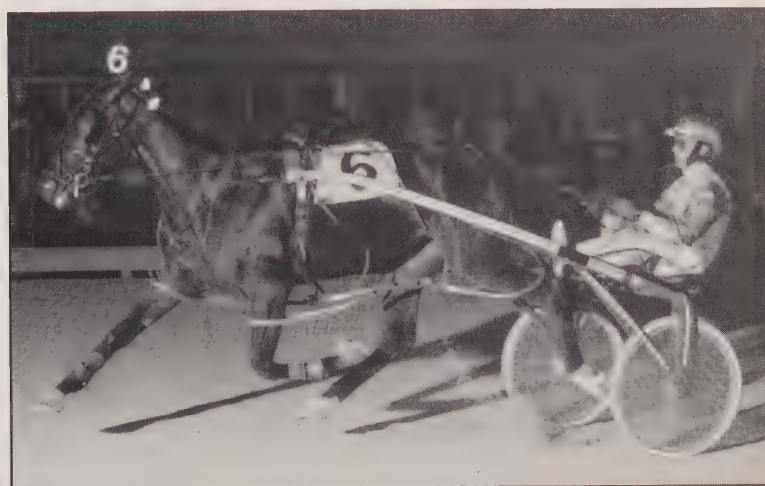
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Mt. Sassafras

The 4 year-old *Mt. Livermore* homebred, *Mt. Sassafras*, was named Thoroughbred Horse of the Year. Trained by Barb Minshall, *Mt. Sassafras* inspired many with his finish in the \$4 million Breeders' Cup Classic. Barb Minshall received the Sovereign Award for Trainer of the Year and Minshall Farm was named Owner and Breeder of the year.

(Photo: Michael Burns)

Whenuwishuponastar

Standardbred Horse of the Year in Canada was awarded to two horses this year. The first went to the 2 year-old *Cam-luck* filly, *Whenuwishuponastar*, which won 16 of 17 starts in 1996, pacing in 1:55.1f and earning \$426,762. The second went to *Riyadh*, the ultimate performer which won \$648,830 in 1996 with 17 wins and 8 seconds in 30 starts including a 1:48.4s mile at Woodbine establishing an all-time Canadian record.

Chair's Letter to the Minister



**Ontario
Racing
Commission**

The Honourable David Tsubouchi
Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations,
Parliament Buildings,
Queen's Park,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Minister:

We are pleased to submit this forty-seventh Annual Statistical Report of the Ontario Racing Commission, covering the operations of the Commission during 1996.

Initiatives undertaken last year to secure a reduction in the provincial tax on wagering proved successful in 1996 when the provincial government reduced the tax to 0.5%. This step constitutes an unprecedented affirmation by the government of its confidence in the racing industry and its ability to remain economically viable and competitive in the gaming and entertainment industry. It also provides firm recognition of the important role that the racing industry plays in the economic and social life of Ontario with over 40,000 full-time and part-time jobs directly attributable to horse racing.

The tax reduction permits racing associations to begin enhancing their facilities while also providing increased incentives for horse people to improve their efforts, ensuring that all segments of horse racing and breeding in Ontario maintain their world class status.

Finally, a significant portion of the tax reduction has been returned to the horse racing patron to ensure that horse racing remains an attractive wagering and entertainment activity in this highly competitive market.

During 1996 the Ontario Racing Commission and the Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association (OHRIA) have worked together towards OHRIA's eventual takeover of the administration of the Horse Improvement Program. This program has been largely responsible for the superior quality of Ontario-bred horses and their ability to compete successfully internationally.

The racing industry continues in its efforts to make its product accessible and appealing to the public and to find ways of utilizing racing facilities for a variety of gaming and entertainment purposes.

The Ontario Racing Commission continues to dedicate its efforts to maintaining integrity in horse racing and to sustaining a regulatory environment in which the horse racing industry as a whole can thrive.

Yours faithfully,

Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.
Chair

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Highlights Of 1996

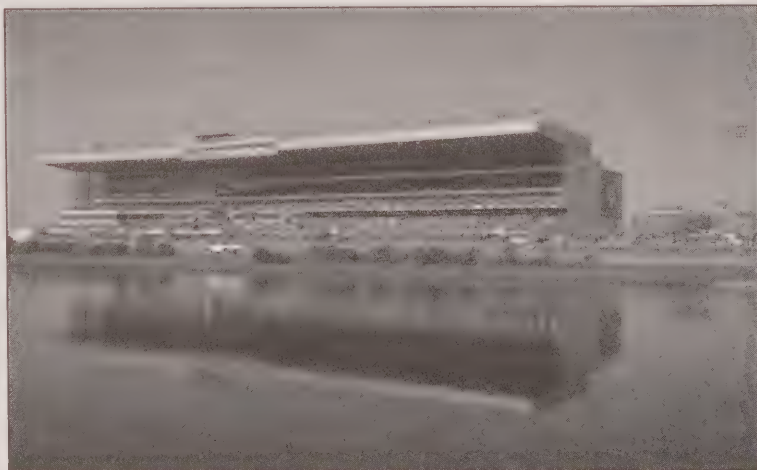
- ❑ A unique partnership was forged in 1996 between the Ontario Government and the Horse Racing and Breeding Industry. Responding to the concerns of the industry and in keeping with its philosophy of self management, the government reduced the tax on wagering from an average of 7 percent to .5 percent, effective September 30, 1996. In return the industry signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations and the Ontario Racing Commission to honour the business plan which it submitted detailing how it will manage the increased revenue.
- ❑ The industry sector group, known as the Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association (OHRIA), submitted the business plan on behalf of the industry. With members from each major association on its board, OHRIA will be overseeing the implementation of the various programs, including funds to benefit customers, capital improvements, and increased racing and breeding incentives. It will also continue to be the industry's unified voice on relevant issues.
- ❑ The industry now also takes over management of the Horse Improvement Program which includes the Ontario Sires Stakes, racing and breeding incentives, and equine research. While the Commission will no longer be administering the Horse Improvement Program, it has been charged with ensuring that the objectives of the program are met. The Commission will be overseeing this under its mandate as the industry's regulator.
- ❑ While wagering on horse racing in Ontario declined somewhat in 1996, there were some encouraging signs. In an economy still slow in recovery, wagering at racetracks in the province decreased only 9.1 percent. When wagering on

Ontario product by other jurisdictions is included, wagering levels actually increased by 8.7 percent. Even without the infusion of the Breeders' Cup, the export of Ontario product to other jurisdictions grew threefold.

- ❑ The tremendous growth in the number of teletheatres or off-track betting sites leveled off in 1996. There are now over 90 sites operating throughout the province. Wagering at off-track sites now accounts for 56 percent of the total bet, as compared to 2 percent in 1993.
- ❑ Wagering on televised product continues to take a growing segment of the pie as patrons find more convenient ways of betting on horse races other than attending the track at which the race is being run. In 1996 intertrack and teletheatre wagering totaled \$831 million or 78 percent of all wagering, as compared to 73 percent in 1995, 60 percent in 1994 and 40 percent in 1993.
- ❑ When all the work was finished and all the races run, international praise came quickly: "In a word ... spectacular!", wrote one trade pub-

lication. The Ontario Jockey Club played host to 42,000 fans for the running of the 1996 Breeders' Cup on October 26. A perfect day capped a card of competitive races with total wagering estimated to be \$69 million. Going on to become Canada's Horse of the Year, *Mt. Sassafras* gave Canadians a real thrill, finishing fourth in the Breeders' Cup Classic.

- ❑ The unanimous choice for outstanding apprentice jockey in both Canada and the United States was Neil Poznansky. In 1996 his mounts earned \$2,491,373 and his win average was 14 percent compared to 8 percent for all jockeys.
- ❑ Veteran Ontario trainer Jack Kopas and Armstrong Farms Chairman and OJC trustee, Dr. J. Glen Brown, were named to Harness Hall of Fame in Goshen, New York.
- ❑ Dr. Bruce Duncan was appointed a Commission Member in early 1996. A veterinarian who has specialized in racehorse related cases, Dr. Duncan's interest in the humane aspects of racing and his knowledge of veterinary medicine will make him an invaluable member of the Commission.



A glorious fall day greeted the 42,000 fans who attended Woodbine Racetrack for the running of the 1996 Breeders' Cup.
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Racing Commission Act

Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990, Chapter R.2

The Ontario Racing Commission was established under the Racing Commission Act by the Ontario Provincial Government in 1950 to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in the province.

1. In this Act,

- (a) Commission means the Ontario Racing Commission;
- (b) Minister means the member of the Executive Council to whom the administration of this Act is assigned by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. ("ministre") R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 1.

2. The body corporate known as the Ontario Racing Commission, established under *The Racing Commission Act*, 1950, being chapter 67, is continued under the name Ontario Racing Commission in English and the name Commission des courses de l'Ontario in French, and shall be composed of not fewer than three and not more than seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 2, *revised*.

3. The objects of the Commission are to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 3.

4. The members of the Commission shall hold office for a term of not more than three years, but any person is eligible for reappointment. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 4.

5. (1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall name one of the members to be the chair and one of the members to be the vice-chair.

(2) When the office of chair is vacant or in the absence of the chair, the vice-chair shall act in his place and stead. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 5.

6. (1) At any meeting of the Commission a majority of the members constitutes a quorum, and a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of the Commission determines any question.

(2) The chair has a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 6.

7. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may fill any vacancy that occurs in the membership of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 7.

8. The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall fix the salaries of the chair, the vice-chair and the other members of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 8.

9. The salaries and expenses of the members of the Commission and of the officers, clerks and other employees thereof, and generally all costs, charges and expenses incurred and payable in respect of the carrying out of this Act, shall be paid out of the monies appropriated therefor by the Legislature. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 10.

10. The Commission has power,

- (a) to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms;
- (b) to govern, control and regulate the operation of race tracks in Ontario at which any form of horse racing is carried on;
- (c) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers, and to require by a summons signed by the chair or by any other member of the Commission any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as the Commission considers requisite in any such hearing;
- (d) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act, by a fine or other penalty or otherwise;
- (e) to make by-laws for the conduct of its business and for the control and direction of its work;
- (f) to license persons to operate race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;
- (g) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespersons and

such other persons in or about racetracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on, and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;

- (h) to fix and collect fees or other charges for licences, prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which they may be issued;
- (i) to refuse to grant any licence or to suspend or revoke any licence for conduct that the Commission considers to be contrary to the public interest;
- (j) to require registration with the Commission of, and to register colours, assumed names, partnerships and contracts and such other matters and things as the Commission considers expedient;
- (k) to fix and collect fees or other charges for registration under clause (j) and to prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which registration may be made;
- (l) to make and promulgate rules for the conduct of horse racing in any of its forms;
- (m) to employ stewards, veterinarians, analysts, secretarial assistants, judges and such other persons as the Commission considers expedient to attend at race meetings on behalf of the Commission;
- (n) to require approval by the Commission of the appointment of race track officials and employees whose duties relate to the actual running of horse races and to compel the discharge for cause of any such official or employee;
- (o) to fix, impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act;
- (p) to require persons licensed to operate race tracks to keep books of account in a manner satisfactory to the Commission, and to inspect such books at any time;
- (q) to do such things relating to horse racing in any or all of its forms, or to the operation of race tracks at which

horse racing is carried on, as are authorized or directed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 11; 1981, c. 33, s. 2.

11. The accounts of the Commission shall be audited by the Provincial Auditor or by such other auditor as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 12.

12. The Commission shall make a report annually to the Minister, containing such information as the Minister may require. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 13.

13. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations with respect to any and all matters or things that are considered necessary for the carrying out of this Act. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 14.

14. (1) Rules for the conduct of horse racing may be promulgated by the Commission under this Act and the Commission may therein delegate to stewards, judges, veterinarians, race track officials, racing association officials, licensing agents or officers of the Commission such of the following powers as the Commission considers expedient,

- (a) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers;
- (b) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act;
- (c) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespeople and such other persons in or about race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on;
- (d) to collect fees or other charges for licenses;
- (e) to impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act.

(2) The Commission may adopt by reference, in whole or in part, with such changes as the Commission

considers necessary, rules and procedures of racing associations or bodies and may delegate to racing associations or bodies the power to,

- (a) enforce the carrying out and observance of the rules and procedures as adopted or amended;
 - (b) hold hearings in respect of the contravention of any of the said rules or procedures; and
 - (c) impose and collect fines, costs and other penalties for the contravention of any of the rules or procedures,
- and where a power has been so delegated to a racing association or body, it shall have the right to exercise discretion or judgment in relation to the powers delegated.

(3) Every person, association or body to whom a power to hold hearings has been delegated under subsection (1) or (2), may by summons require any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as may be required for purposes of a hearing.

(4) Subject to subsection (6), any person who considers themselves aggrieved by a decision of a person delegated by the Commission under a rule made under subsection (1) or by a decision resulting from a hearing held pursuant to a delegation under subsection (2), is entitled to a hearing by the Commission and, in the case of a hearing, the Commission may exercise its powers and duties under section 10 as if such powers and duties had not been delegated.

(5) Where the Commission, after holding a hearing, is of the opinion that the request for the hearing was frivolously made, the Commission may order the person requesting the hearing to pay to the Commission a penalty of no more than \$300 in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed.

(6) Where the rules of the Commission, promulgated or adopted, provide for an appeal to an association or body, any person who considers themselves aggrieved shall appeal in

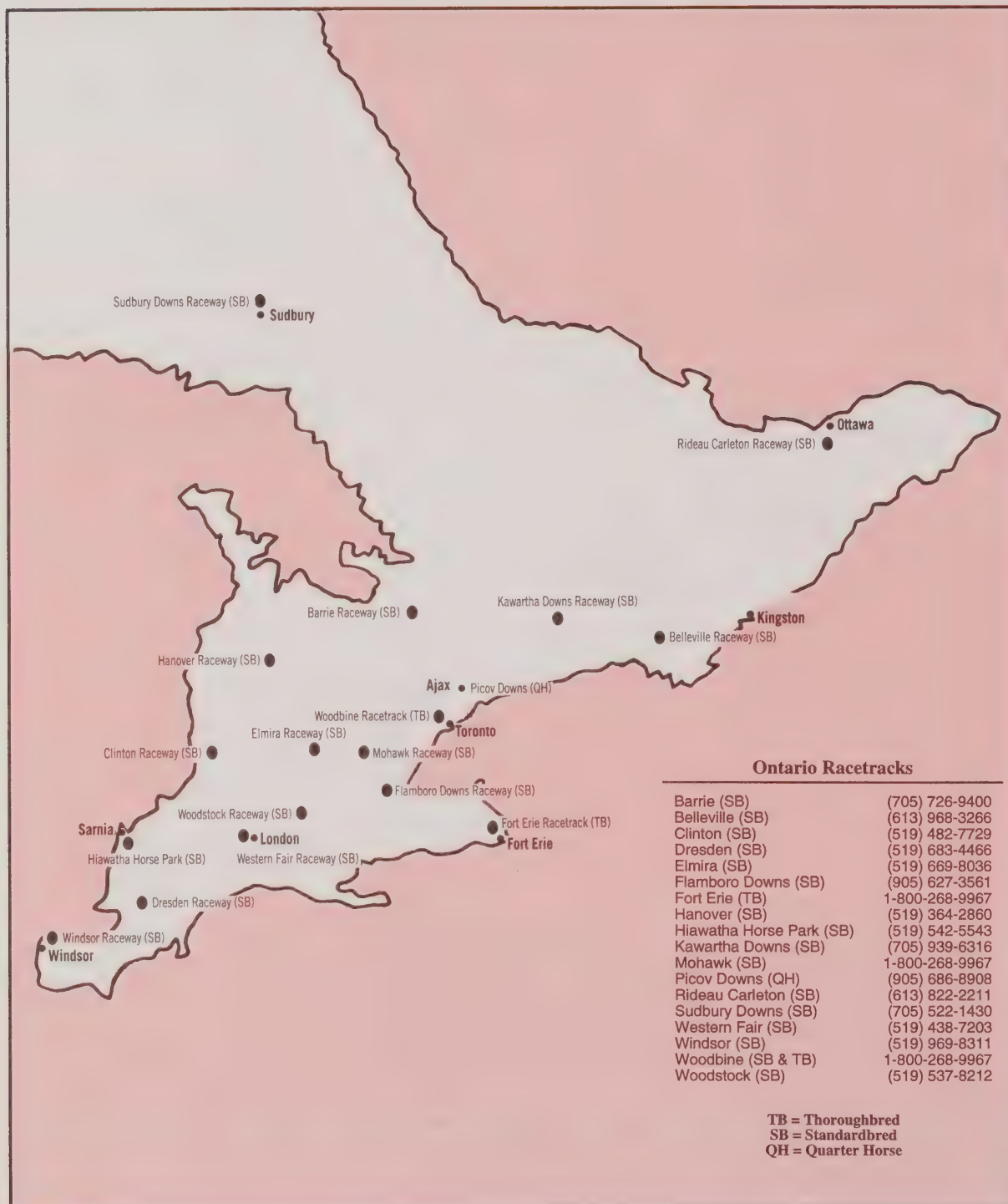
accordance with the rules before applying to the Commission for a hearing under subsection (4).

(7) Any order or rule issued or made by the Commission under this Act shall be deemed to be of an administrative and not of a legislative nature.

(8) One member of the Commission constitutes a quorum for the purposes of a hearing under subsection (4).

(9) The Commission may, on its own motion, review any decision made by a racing association or body pursuant to a power delegated under subsection (2) and may, after affording the parties an opportunity to be heard, confirm the decision reviewed or substitute its own decision in lieu thereof. 1980, c. 429 s. 15.

Ontario Racetracks



Ontario Racetracks

Barrie (SB)	(705) 726-9400
Belleville (SB)	(613) 968-3266
Clinton (SB)	(519) 482-7729
Dresden (SB)	(519) 683-4466
Elmira (SB)	(519) 669-8036
Flamboro Downs (SB)	(905) 627-3561
Fort Erie (TB)	1-800-268-9967
Hanover (SB)	(519) 364-2860
Hiawatha Horse Park (SB)	(519) 542-5543
Kawartha Downs (SB)	(705) 939-6316
Mohawk (SB)	1-800-268-9967
Picov Downs (QH)	(905) 686-8908
Rideau Carleton (SB)	(613) 822-2211
Sudbury Downs (SB)	(705) 522-1430
Western Fair (SB)	(519) 438-7203
Windsor (SB)	(519) 969-8311
Woodbine (SB & TB)	1-800-268-9967
Woodstock (SB)	(519) 537-8212

TB = Thoroughbred
SB = Standardbred
QH = Quarter Horse

Ontario Racing Commission



The horses sweep through the first turn of the Breeders' Cup Classic with eventual winner, Alphabet Soup, sitting on the outside.

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Personnel of the Commission

As at December 31, 1996, the Commission consisted of:

Chair

Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.

Vice-Chair

Lynda Tanaka.

Members

Martin G. Caputo

Diane Carlton

Bruce Duncan, D.V.M.

Officials of the Commission

Director

J. Major

Deputy Director of Racing

W.T. Stone

Deputy Director of Finance and Administration

G. Fernandes

Commission Counsel

A. Gibson

Supervisor of Thoroughbred Racing

E. Hall

Supervisor of Standardbred Racing

W. Fines

Executive Assistant to Chairman

V. Donovan

Administrative Officer

R. Roy

Head Office Staff

Communications

W.L. Hoogeveen

Chairman's/Director's Secretary

J. Chang Alloy

Secretary

D. Melo-Cordeiro (backfill)

Receptionist

C. Fulton (backfill)

Administrative Assistant (acting)

D. Wright

Purchasing and Licensing Clerk (underfill)

A. Mason

Licensing and Filing Clerk

C. Kopechuk (backfill)

Ontario Sires Stakes Coordinator

T. Iwanciw

Licensing & Cheque Coordinator

D. Lefebvre

Judges and Stewards

G. Belore

G. Cahill

J. Campbell

P. Cass

A. Caughey

R. Croteau

B. Davies

D. Dew

P. Dyson

C. Fraleigh

L. Geisel

D. Godkin

V. Gould

R. Grubb

T. Guthrie

M. Halfacree

N. Ham

P. Harrison

P. Hawman

W. Hicks

W. Lawrence

W. McDonnell

R. McGee

I. McHutchion

N. McKnight

W. McMahon

A. McManus

T. Miller

R. Minler

R. Miron

J. Murphy

J. Nemett

A. Nickle

W. Pennington

T. Provost

C. Raymond

D. Raymond

D. Sommerville

J. Thatcher

P. Webb

Field Staff

R. Arsenault

G. Balwar

G. Bertrand

C. Brown

J. Brown

G. Carmen

R. Compton

H. Duford

L. Hebbard

V. James

J. LaRush

G. Lebel

N. Manente

J. McEachern

J. McKenna

L. Moffatt

D. Platts

E. Powell

G. Taylor

M. Taylor

T. Weir

R. Zirnis

Commission Activity

Meetings and Hearings

The seven-member Commission meets on a regular basis to establish policy, to deal with administrative matters and to act as a quasi-judicial tribunal.

Commission Meetings

The Commission held ten formal meetings during 1996 at which regular business was attended to.

Hearings

In addition to formal meetings, the Commission sat for thirty days at which 37 licensees appeared for hearings or appeals.

Thoroughbred

During 1996, twenty-two thoroughbred licensees or applicants for licenses appeared before the Commission for hearings relative to the Rules of Thoroughbred Racing.

Standardbred

Fifteen standardbred licensees or applicants for licenses appeared before the Commission for hearings pertaining to the Rules of Standardbred Racing.

General

In addition to the above, the Commission sat for twenty-one days of public hearings, nine of which were for racetrack licenses or race date applications, and twelve of which were for teletheatre applications.

Racing Industry Appeal Board

This appeal tribunal is appointed by the Ontario Racing Commission upon recommendations from the Canadian Trotting Association and the Ontario Harness Horse Association.

This board hears Standardbred appeals relative to fines of less than \$500.00 and/or suspensions of less than 30 days. The Board sat for five days at which twenty-seven licensees appeared to have their appeals dealt with. Eleven appeals were allowed, 15 appeals were disallowed and 1 appeal was partially allowed.

Memberships

Association of Racing Commissioners, International

The Commission continues to hold active membership in the Association of Racing Commissioners International. This organization is comprised of representatives from all racing commissions throughout North America, Mexico and the Caribbean. The organization acts as a clearing house for changes in racing rules and statistical information. The Chair is a member of the Executive Board. Deputy Director of Racing, Terry Stone, serves on both the Thoroughbred and Standardbred Rules Committee.

Racetracks Security Canada

Acting to facilitate the transfer of information between organizations on security matters and the investigation process, this organization is made up of racetrack security personnel as well as Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency and Commission representatives.

American Association of Equine Practitioners

This association is a professional society of more than 4,500 members from the United States, Canada and over 40 other countries. Since its founding in 1944, one of the primary roles of the AAEP has been to act in an advisory capacity to the racing industry on matters affecting the health of the horse.

Rulings

Thoroughbred

During 1996, the Commission issued 35 Commission Thoroughbred rulings. The Stewards issued 347 rulings for various infractions against licensed personnel including owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders.

Standardbred

During 1996, the Commission issued 230 Commission Standardbred rulings. The Judges issued 1,028 rulings for various infractions against licensed personnel including owners, trainers, drivers and grooms.

Summary of Licences Issued

The Ontario Racing Commission licenses any person practicing a profession, trade, occupation or calling at any licensed Ontario racetrack.

Thoroughbred

Total number of licences issued includes

reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licences	No. of Licences
	1996	1995
Owner, New Owner and Owner Renewal	1,842	1,716
Trainer and Trainer Assistant	244	292
Owner/Trainer, New and Renewals	247	205
Jockey	85	85
Jockey Apprentice, Valets, and Jockey Agent	69	68
Tradesmen	158	147
Veterinarian	32	31
Occupational (Other)	1,845	1,761
Pari-Mutuel	576	128
Total Licenses Issued	5,098	4,433

Standardbred

Total number of licences issued includes

reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licences	No. of Licences
	1996	1995
Owner, New and Renewal	7,222	8,306
Stable/Multiple Ownership	518	649
Trainer	2,973	3,298
Driver	1,453	1,632
Groom	3,783	4,402
Tradesmen	83	105
Veterinarian	63	67
Occupational	166	212
Association	190	207
Commission Officials	59	78
Pari-Mutuel	816	241
Total Licenses Issued	17,326	19,197

Wagering and Attendance Statistics



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Recap of Horse Racing in Ontario and Canada in 1996

Including revenue to the Provincial and Federal Government

	No. of Days	Wagering	Provincial Tax	Federal Tax	%
Ontario					
Standardbred*	1,215	667,961,500.51	41,910,793.37	5,343,692.00	50.28%
Thoroughbred	295	660,304,518.72	44,831,638.48	5,282,436.15	49.71%
Quarter Horse	21	110,278.00	7,352.00	882.23	0.01%
Total Ontario	1,531	1,328,376,297.23	86,749,783.85	10,627,010.38	100.00%

* includes 25 days of Unsupervised Racing

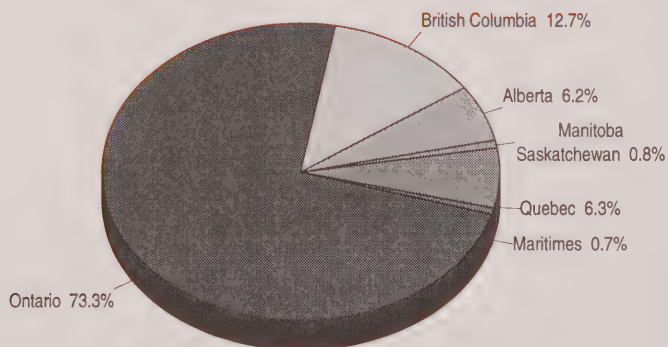
Canada					
Standardbred	2,443	797,286,260.00	54,886,133.82	6,312,964.79	45.07%
Thoroughbred*	761	971,714,554.00	64,970,829.57	7,589,165.42	54.93%
Total Canada	3,204	1,769,000,814.00	119,856,963.39	13,902,130.21	100.00%

*includes Quarter Horse

Provincial Detail

Ontario	1,531	1,328,376,297.23	86,749,783.85	10,627,010.38	73.26%
British Columbia	280	230,334,337.00	15,935,724.84	1,842,674.70	12.70%
Quebec	435	113,339,155.00	8,441,893.48	906,713.24	6.25%
Alberta	364	113,330,065.00	5,747,104.88	906,640.52	6.25%
Manitoba	114	12,235,207.00	1,158,261.42	97,881.66	0.67%
Nova Scotia	152	5,667,393.00	623,415.54	45,339.14	0.31%
Prince Edward Island	119	4,193,635.00	574,687.52	33,549.08	0.23%
New Brunswick	85	3,778,172.00	415,598.92	30,225.38	0.21%
Saskatchewan	106	2,071,617.00	207,161.70	16,572.94	0.11%
Newfoundland	18	30,284.00	3,331.24	242.27	0.01%
Total	3,204	1,813,356,162.23	119,856,963.39	14,506,849.31	100.00%

Ontario's Share of the Canadian Wagering Dollar



Revenue Produced: Purses and Tax Dollars

Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Gross Prov Tax†	Net Prov Tax★	Fed Tax	Tax Dollars Produced		Purse Distribution	% Purse to Handle
						Provincial	Federal		
Progress in Thoroughbred Racing									
1984	245	319,343,712	†7	5	0.8	23,534,604	2,554,750	26,058,227	8.16%
1985	264	333,683,591	†7	5	0.8	24,505,628	2,669,469	28,622,164	8.58%
1986	282	365,528,513	†7	5	0.8	26,850,776	2,924,389	31,879,981	8.72%
1987	278	413,565,078	†7	5	0.8	30,347,090	3,308,521	35,287,923	8.53%
1988	287	452,114,414	†7	5	0.8	33,155,471	3,616,915	43,613,731	9.65%
1989	288	495,407,190	†7	5	0.8	36,239,126	3,963,258	45,393,965	9.16%
1990	292	535,324,696	†7	5	0.8	39,161,047	4,282,598	45,267,891	8.46%
1991	293	523,630,971	†7	5	0.8	38,291,814	4,189,047	47,905,579	9.14%
1992	293	521,513,857	†7	5	0.8	38,177,239	4,172,111	51,692,667	9.91%
1993	294	567,019,864	†7	5	0.8	42,216,151	4,536,159	47,176,882	8.32%
1994	279	583,946,436	†7	5	0.8	43,488,071	4,671,571	39,484,249	6.76%
1995	291	630,243,058	†7	5	0.8	47,421,004	5,077,793	47,848,765	7.54%
1996	295	660,304,519	†7 to .5	5 to .5	.7 to .8	44,831,638	5,282,436	47,496,127	7.19%

Progress in Quarter Horse Racing

1984	7	82,426	†7	5	0.8	5,770	659	118,979	144.35%
1985	7	84,692	†7	5	0.8	5,928	667	95,942	113.28%
1986	12	139,651	†7	5	0.8	9,776	1,115	128,546	92.05%
1987	13	118,110	†7	5	0.8	8,268	945	143,933	121.86%
1988	16	141,124	†7	5	0.8	9,879	1,129	149,548	105.97%
1989	20	244,565	†7	5	0.8	17,119	1,957	184,220	75.33%
1990	21	334,927	†7	5	0.8	23,445	2,679	247,264	73.88%
1991	21	258,061	†7	5	0.8	18,064	2,064	228,182	88.42%
1992	18	186,106	†7	5	0.8	13,027	1,488	126,997	68.23%
1993	17	139,387	†7	5	0.8	9,757	1,115	97,775	70.14%
1994	19	151,149	†7	5	0.8	10,652	1,209	73,734	48.78%
1995	20	128,836	†7	5	0.8	9,113	1,030	204,895	159.03%
1996	21	110,278	†7 to .5	5 to .5	0.8	7,352	882	209,072	189.58%

Progress in Standardbred Racing

1984	1633	507,096,175	†7	5	0.8	37,737,130	4,056,769	48,172,749	9.50%
1985	1549	494,314,388	†7	5	0.8	36,825,981	3,954,118	48,969,604	9.91%
1986	1625	524,243,023	†7	5	0.8	39,260,613	4,193,437	53,690,705	10.24%
1987	1551	560,118,892	†7	5	0.8	42,070,986	4,480,951	58,234,266	10.40%
1988	1643	607,601,166	†7	5	0.8	45,475,891	4,860,809	65,135,136	10.72%
1989	1628	627,249,647	†7	5	0.8	46,854,374	5,010,190	68,430,917	10.93%
1990	1585	616,089,970	†7	5	0.8	46,101,128	4,928,719	68,804,411	11.17%
1991	1498	560,950,032	†7	5	0.8	42,076,205	4,487,600	60,714,864	10.82%
1992	1486	548,569,954	†7	5	0.8	41,403,406	4,388,559	65,425,855	11.92%
1993	1333	463,929,955	†7	5	0.8	34,541,451	3,711,440	61,693,065	13.29%
1994	1298	495,464,618	†7	5	0.8	36,922,508	3,963,716	63,951,896	12.90%
1995	1,208	591,830,383	†7	5	0.8	45,220,663	4,698,798	78,325,497	13.33%
1996	1,215	667,961,500	†7 to .5	5 to .5	0.8	41,910,793	5,343,692	78,676,848	11.77%

† 9% tax on triactor wagering

★ Less Improvement Program funding

In 1996 the Race Tracks Tax was reduced from 7% (9% on triactors) to 0.5% effective September 30, 1996.



Wagering and Attendance Trends in Ontario

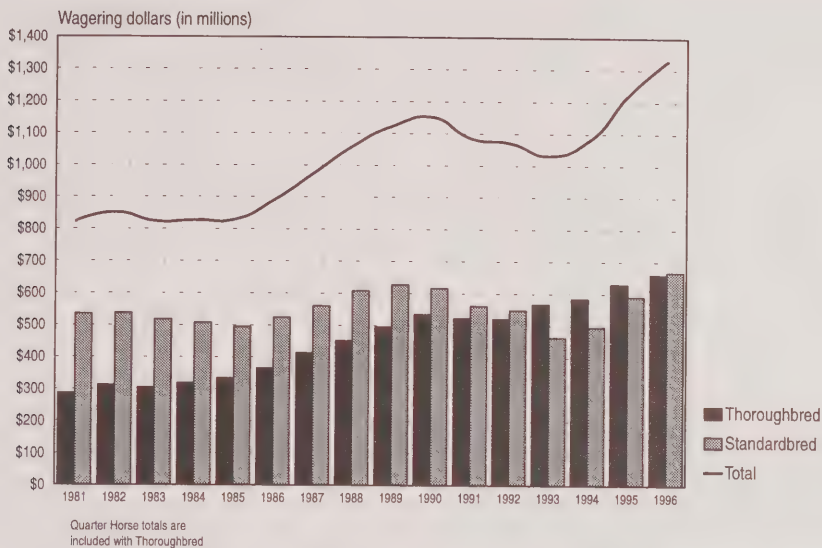
Wagering

Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered
1981	1,621	\$534,950,803	237	\$286,498,285	7	\$159,977	1,865	\$821,609,065
1982	1,657	\$537,622,939	238	\$312,886,211	7	\$118,298	1,902	\$850,627,448
1983	1,672	\$517,786,938	241	\$304,864,472	7	\$103,196	1,920	\$822,754,606
1984	1,633	\$507,096,175	245	\$319,343,712	7	\$82,426	1,885	\$826,522,313
1985	1,549	\$494,314,388	264	\$333,663,591	7	\$84,692	1,820	\$828,082,671
1986	1,625	\$524,243,023	282	\$365,528,513	12	\$139,651	1,919	\$889,911,187
1987	1,551	\$560,118,892	278	\$413,565,078	13	\$118,110	1,842	\$973,802,080
1988	1,643	\$607,601,166	287	\$452,114,414	16	\$141,124	1,946	\$1,059,856,704
1989	1,628	\$627,249,647	288	\$495,407,190	20	\$244,565	1,936	\$1,122,901,402
1990	1,585	\$616,089,970	292	\$535,324,696	21	\$334,927	1,898	\$1,151,749,593
1991	1,498	\$560,950,032	293	\$523,630,971	21	\$258,061	1,812	\$1,084,839,064
1992	1,486	\$548,569,954	293	\$521,513,857	18	\$186,106	1,797	\$1,070,269,917
1993	1,333	\$463,929,955	294	\$567,019,864	17	\$139,387	1,644	\$1,031,089,206
1994	1,298	\$495,464,618	279	\$583,946,436	19	\$151,149	1,596	\$1,079,562,203
1995	1,208	\$591,830,383	291	\$630,243,058	20	\$128,836	1,519	\$1,222,202,277
1996	1,215	\$667,961,500	295	\$660,304,519	21	\$110,278	1,531	\$1,328,376,297

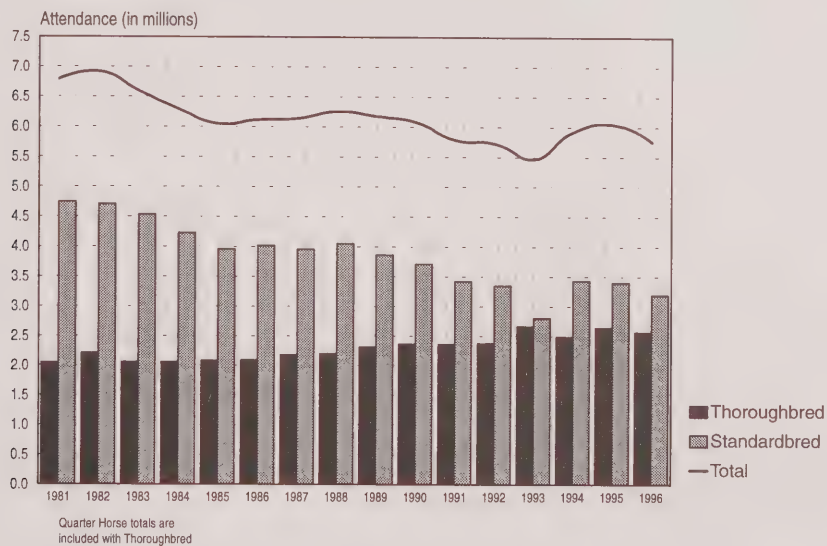
Attendance

Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Total	Average	Total	Average	Total	Average	Total	Average
1981	4,741,751	2,925	2,041,620	8,614	5,287	755	6,788,658	3,640
1982	4,705,750	2,840	2,206,803	9,272	4,036	577	6,916,589	3,636
1983	4,531,161	2,710	2,058,037	8,540	3,304	472	6,592,502	3,434
1984	4,229,634	2,590	2,056,743	8,395	3,418	488	6,289,795	3,337
1985	3,960,341	2,557	2,083,007	7,890	2,947	421	6,046,295	3,322
1986	4,018,687	2,473	2,089,251	7,409	6,115	510	6,114,053	3,186
1987	3,958,233	2,552	2,174,243	7,821	3,532	272	6,136,008	3,331
1988	4,051,641	2,466	2,193,147	7,642	6,727	420	6,251,515	3,212
1989	3,862,048	2,372	2,305,590	8,005	7,320	366	6,174,958	3,189
1990	3,709,300	2,340	2,358,753	8,078	7,755	369	6,075,808	3,201
1991	3,421,738	2,284	2,352,814	8,030	6,784	323	5,781,336	3,190
1992	3,345,779	2,251	2,372,312	8,069	5,259	292	5,723,370	3,185
1993	2,802,335	2,102	2,656,324	9,035	5,259	309	5,463,735	3,323
1994	3,431,153	2,643	2,478,537	8,884	10,150	534	5,919,840	3,709
1995	3,397,941	2,812	2,624,292	9,018	20,600	980	6,042,833	3,978
1996	3,189,977	2,625	2,544,567	8,625	19,882	943	5,754,425	3,758

Wagering Trends



Attendance Trends



Wagering and Attendance Statistics

Comparison of 1995 and 1996

Tracks	No. of Days			Wagering Handle (\$) as reported by CPMA			Wagering Handle (\$) Actual on Site		
	1996	1995	%+-	1996	1995	%+-	1996	1995	%+-
Thoroughbred									
Woodbine	194	192	1.0%	583,805,739.64	527,151,879.28	10.7%	399,673,166.55	426,538,608.39	-6.3%
Fort Erie	101	101	0.0%	76,498,779.08	103,091,179.18	-25.8%	61,187,319.07	86,794,852.77	-29.5%
Total Thoroughbred	295	293	0.7%	660,304,518.72	630,243,058.46	4.8%	460,860,485.62	513,333,461.16	-10.2%
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)									
Total Quarter Horse	21	21	0.0%	110,278.00	128,836.00	-14.4%	350,115.00	428,648.00	-18.3%
Standardbred									
Class I									
Woodbine	141	144	-2.1%	186,117,586.00	228,308,144.00	-18.5%	191,405,264.50	199,588,101.60	-4.1%
Mohawk	118	117	0.9%	160,576,364.00	177,719,635.00	-9.6%	100,195,907.00	110,438,249.00	-9.3%
OJC	259	261	-0.8%	346,693,950.00	406,027,779.00	-14.6%	291,601,171.50	310,026,350.60	-5.9%
Windsor	178	169	5.3%	227,257,592.51	114,568,136.32	98.4%	73,161,629.34	117,123,726.88	-37.5%
	437	430	1.6%	573,951,542.51	520,595,915.32	10.2%	364,762,800.84	427,150,077.48	-14.6%
Class II									
Flamboro Downs	250	134	86.6%	68,191,674.00	37,325,241.00	82.7%	79,778,423.00	48,915,380.00	63.1%
Rideau Carleton	69	113	-38.9%	10,529,992.00	10,043,111.00	4.8%	36,814,818.00	42,910,881.00	-14.2%
	319	247	29.1%	78,721,666.00	47,368,352.00	66.2%	116,593,241.00	91,826,261.00	-27.0%
Class III									
Western Fair	95	112	-15.2%	3,777,497.00	6,249,687.00	-39.6%	27,928,600.57	31,187,915.73	-10.5%
Hiawatha	47	53	-11.3%	2,188,115.00	3,296,658.00	-33.6%	10,501,127.46	14,063,426.26	-25.3%
Barrie	50	66	-24.2%	2,704,977.00	4,487,068.00	-39.7%	15,356,958.00	18,569,364.42	-17.3%
Kawartha Downs	47	55	-14.5%	1,741,340.00	2,697,165.00	-35.4%	10,255,307.00	10,022,137.00	2.3%
Elmira	50	50	0.0%	1,531,765.00	2,243,380.00	-31.7%	28,440,279.54	29,194,599.89	-2.6%
Sudbury Downs	50	50	0.0%	363,446.00	801,003.00	-54.6%	17,316,573.00	18,650,134.00	-7.2%
	339	386	-12.2%	12,307,140.00	19,774,961.00	-37.8%	109,798,845.57	121,687,577.30	-9.8%
Class IV									
Kingston Park		2			15,136.00			839,847.00	
Dresden	20	26	-23.1%	726,988.00	1,098,969.00	-33.8%	4,116,268.00	5,596,611.92	-26.5%
Woodstock	15	19	-21.1%	463,057.00	634,844.00	-27.1%	3,640,535.79	5,928,812.73	-38.6%
Belleville	27	28	-3.6%	404,466.00	610,826.00	-33.8%	3,547,240.00	4,137,353.00	-14.3%
Hanover	21	21	0.0%	595,007.00	686,072.00	-13.3%	4,601,900.46	4,451,520.44	3.4%
Clinton	12	14	-14.3%	490,081.00	636,936.00	-23.1%	2,859,344.30	3,373,470.23	-15.2%
	95	110	-13.6%	2,679,599.00	3,682,783.00	-27.2%	18,765,288.55	24,327,615.32	-22.9%
Total Supervised	1,190	1,173	1.4%	667,659,947.51	591,422,011.32	12.9%	609,920,175.96	664,991,531.10	-8.3%
Unsupervised	25	36	-30.6%	301,553.00	408,372.00	-26.2%	301,553.00	408,372.00	-26.2%
Total Standardbred	1,215	1,209	0.5%	667,961,500.51	591,830,383.32	12.9%	610,221,728.96	665,399,903.10	-8.3%
Grand Total	1,531	1,523	0.5%	1,328,376,297.23	1,222,202,277.78	8.7%	1,071,432,329.58	1,179,162,012.26	-9.1%

Attendance (estimated)		
1996	1995	%+-
2,037,625	2,101,823	-3.1%
506,941	522,469	-3.0%
2,544,566	2,624,292	-3.0%
19,882	20,600	-3.5%
854,871	950,182	-10.0%
462,173	521,929	-11.4%
1,317,044	1,472,111	-10.5%
335,081	505,719	-33.7%
1,652,125	1,977,830	-16.5%
500,350	264,100	89.5%
236,769	336,514	-29.6%
737,119	600,614	22.7%
202,400	187,559	7.9%
67,364	61,000	10.4%
67,182	88,262	-23.9%
73,259	77,532	-5.5%
104,897	105,052	-0.1%
157,048	153,923	2.0%
672,150	673,328	-0.2%
	5,125	
27,117	30,130	-10.0%
29,188	30,776	-5.2%
24,559	27,288	-10.0%
33,118	39,948	-17.1%
14,600	12,902	13.2%
128,582	146,169	-12.0%
3,189,976	3,397,941	-5.9%
n/a	n/a	
3,189,976	3,397,941	-5.9%
5,754,424	6,042,833	-4.8%

Notes

All numbers are based on the wagering database as provided by the Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency

Reported by CPMA

1. Money bet in an Ontario racetrack pool.
2. CPMA figures are based on where the pool is located ie. Windsor betting on Woodbine Thoroughbred product is shown in Woodbine Thoroughbred wagering totals.

Actual On-Site

1. Money bet by an Ontario bettor at an Ontario track.
2. CPMA figures have been manipulated to show the amount of wagering taking place at each racetrack, ie. the total amount of money that has physically passed through the pari-mutual machines.
3. These are the totals that have been subject to taxation and are therefore used to calculate the rebate program.

The difference between "reported" and "actual" is \$256,943,967.65 (\$281,890,986.39-\$24,947,018.74)

Reported by CPMA includes \$281,890,986.39 of out-of-province wagering in Ontario pools.

Actual on Site includes \$24,947,018.74 of Ontario wagering in out-of-province pools.

1995

A contractual dispute closed Flamboro Downs for the first four months of the year. Kingston Park Raceway closed, operating in January with simulcasting and two live days.

Due to the closure of Connaught Park in Alymer, Quebec, Rideau Carleton expanded its racing season into May, June and December.

Barrie Raceway dropped its Wednesday night racing in the latter part of the year. Windsor Raceway expanded its live meet to include Saturdays and Sundays during the summer and early fall when it had previously been closed for the season.

1996

Barrie Raceway dropped its winter dates.

Rideau Carleton cancelled race dates in the spring and fall, moving to a more compressed season from May to mid-September.

Michigan State passed legislation allowing simulcast wagering which in turn affected Windsor Raceway. Windsor set up its own pools on foreign simulcasting.

Attendance

Attendance figures include estimates for attendance at both on-track and off-track venues.

Analysis of 1996 Wagering Statistics

Breakdown of wagering by type and by breed

Tracks	Live	% of total	Simulcasting on track	% of total	Off Track	% of total	Total Wagering	Thoroughbred	Standardbred
Thoroughbred									
Woodbine	99,736,301.63	25.0%	65,716,636.92	16.4%	234,220,228.00	58.6%	399,673,166.55	399,673,166.55	
Fort Erie	21,323,594.14	34.8%	15,958,096.93	26.1%	23,905,628.00	39.1%	61,187,319.07	60,440,062.07	747,257.00
Total Thoroughbred	121,059,895.77	26.3%	81,674,733.85	17.7%	258,125,856.00	56.0%	460,860,485.62	460,113,228.62	747,257.00
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)									
Total Quarter Horse	95,884.00	27.4%	254,231.00	72.6%			350,115.00	350,115.00	
Standardbred									
Class I									
Woodbine	41,091,636.00	21.5%	41,401,516.50	21.6%	108,912,112.00	56.9%	191,405,264.50	10,909,273.50	180,495,991.00
Mohawk	16,436,058.00	16.4%	3,449,602.00	3.4%	80,310,247.00	80.2%	100,195,907.00	263,307.00	99,932,600.00
OJC	57,527,694.00	19.7%	44,851,118.50	15.4%	189,222,359.00	64.9%	291,601,171.50	11,172,580.50	280,428,591.00
Windsor	32,507,831.00	44.4%	40,581,936.34	55.5%	71,862.00	0.1%	73,161,629.34	23,629,284.34	49,532,345.00
	90,035,525.00	24.7%	85,433,054.84	23.4%	189,294,221.00	51.9%	364,762,800.84	34,801,864.84	329,960,936.00
Class II									
Flamboro Downs	10,099,167.00	12.7%	6,363,180.00	8.0%	63,316,076.00	79.4%	79,778,423.00	28,251,132.00	51,527,291.00
Rideau Carleton	3,847,067.00	10.4%	10,990,927.00	29.9%	21,976,824.00	59.7%	36,814,818.00	10,026,752.00	26,788,066.00
	13,946,234.00	12.0%	17,354,107.00	14.9%	85,292,900.00	73.2%	116,593,241.00	38,277,884.00	78,315,357.00
Class III									
Western Fair	3,777,497.00	13.5%	21,855,781.00	78.3%	2,295,322.57	8.2%	27,928,600.57	6,924,470.73	21,004,129.84
Hiawatha	2,188,115.00	20.8%	6,960,000.12	66.3%	1,353,012.34	12.9%	10,501,127.46	2,214,378.39	8,286,749.07
Barrie	2,704,977.00	17.6%	5,818,739.00	37.9%	6,833,242.00	44.5%	15,356,958.00	5,538,081.00	9,818,877.00
Kawartha Downs	1,741,340.00	17.0%	662,535.00	6.5%	7,851,432.00	76.6%	10,255,307.00	2,417,304.00	7,838,003.00
Elmira	1,531,765.00	5.4%	8,276,407.00	29.1%	18,632,107.54	65.5%	28,440,279.54	10,465,888.62	17,974,390.92
Sudbury Downs	363,446.00	2.1%	175,259.00	1.0%	16,777,868.00	96.9%	17,316,573.00	5,805,182.00	11,511,391.00
	12,307,140.00	11.2%	43,748,721.12	39.8%	53,742,984.45	48.9%	109,798,845.57	33,365,304.74	76,433,540.83
Class IV									
Dresden	726,988.00	17.7%	1,072,388.00	26.1%	2,316,892.00	56.3%	4,116,268.00	210,516.00	3,905,752.00
Woodstock	463,057.00	12.7%	672,560.00	18.5%	2,504,918.79	68.8%	3,640,535.79	258,081.00	3,382,454.79
Belleville	404,466.00	11.4%	514,202.00	14.5%	2,628,572.00	74.1%	3,547,240.00	1,038,448.00	2,508,792.00
Hanover	595,007.00	12.9%	333,524.00	7.2%	3,673,369.46	79.8%	4,601,900.46	906,351.38	3,695,549.08
Clinton	490,081.00	17.1%	87,730.00	3.1%	2,281,533.30	79.8%	2,859,344.30	448,453.00	2,410,891.30
	2,679,599.00	14.3%	2,680,404.00	14.3%	13,405,285.55	71.4%	18,765,288.55	2,861,849.38	15,903,439.17
Total Supervised	118,968,498.00	19.5%	149,216,286.96	24.5%	341,735,391.00	56.0%	609,920,175.96	109,306,902.96	500,613,273.00
Unsupervised	301,553.00	100%					301,553.00		301,553.00
Total Standardbred	119,270,051.00	19.5%	149,216,286.96	24.5%	341,735,391.00	56.0%	610,221,728.96	109,306,902.96	500,914,826.00
Grand Total	240,425,830.77	22.4%	231,145,251.81	21.6%	599,861,247.00	56.0%	1,071,432,329.58	569,770,246.58	501,662,083.00



Intertrack Wagering

Teletheatre	Thoroughbred			Standardbred			Total	
	1996	1995		1996	1995		1996	1995
Thoroughbred								
Woodbine	65,716,636.92	78,925,105.00	-16.7%				65,716,636.92	78,925,105.00
Fort Erie	15,210,839.93	24,594,925.55	-38.2%	747,257.00	13,252.00		15,958,096.93	24,608,177.00
Total	80,927,476.85	103,520,030.55	-21.8%	747,257.00	13,252.00		81,674,733.85	103,533,282.00
Quarter Horse								
Picov Downs	254,231.00	299,812.00	-15.2%				254,231.00	299,812.00
Standardbred								
Woodbine	10,909,273.50	8,448,332.00	29.1	30,492,243.00	25,811,616.00	18.1%	41,401,516.50	34,259,948
Mohawk	263,307.00			3,186,295.00	3,606,616.00	-11.7%	3,449,602.00	3,606,616.00
Windsor	23,629,284.34	56,170,802.88	-57.9%	16,952,652.00	21,955,203.00	-22.8%	40,581,936.34	78,126,005.88
Flamboro	2,664,160.00	1,926,372.00	-38.3%	3,699,020.00	2,354,777.00	57.1%	6,363,180.00	4,281,149.00
Rideau Carleton	3,790,513.00	3,452,032.00	9.8%	7,200,414.00	4,763,568.00	51.2%	10,990,927.00	8,215,600.00
Western Fair	6,846,550.00	3,325,454.00	105.9%	15,009,231.00	10,273,397	46.1%	21,855,781.00	13,598,851.00
Hiawatha	2,191,979.12	2,306,639.61	-5.0%	4,768,021.00	4,683,837.00	1.8%	6,960,000.12	6,990,476.00
Barrie	2,316,090.00	2,226,594.00	4.0%	3,502,649.00	3,266,146.00	7.2%	5,818,739.00	5,492,740.00
Kawartha	55,791.00			606,744.00	1,222,215.00	-50.4%	662,535.00	
Elmira	3,363,870.00	4,116,568.00	-18.3%	4,912,537.00	5,800,320.00	-15.3%	8,276,407.00	9,916,888.00
Sudbury	116,777.00	126,977.00	-8.0%	58,482.00	264,277.00	-77.9%	175,259.00	391,254.00
Kingston		77,271.00			747,440.00			824,711.00
Dresden		184,524.00		1,072,388.00	1,214,834.00	-11.7%	1,072,388.00	1,399,358.00
Woodstock		153,806.00		672,560.00	1,773,209.00	-62.1%	672,560.00	1,927,015.00
Belleville	156,443.00	64,494.00	142.6%	357,759.00	523,813.00	-31.7%	514,202.00	588,307.00
Clinton	78,590.00	252,723.00	-68.9%	9,140.00	685,495.00	-98.7%	87,730.00	938,218.00
Hanover	14,414.00			319,110.00	389,304.00	-18.0%	333,524.00	389,304.00
Total	56,397,041.96	82,832,589.49	-31.9%	92,819,245.00	89,336,067.00	3.9%	149,126,286.96	172,168,656.49
Grand Total	137,578,749.81	186,652,431.04	-26.3%	93,566,502.00	89,349,319.00	4.7%	231,145,251.81	276,001,750.04

Teletheatres

Teletheatre	Thoroughbred		Standardbred		Total	
	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995
Barrie Hub	1,045,386	1,177,737	1,335,792	2,929,390	2,381,178	4,107,127
Belleville	882,005	944,193	1,746,567	1,994,027	2,628,572	2,938,220
Flamboro Downs Network	25,586,972	10,772,821	37,729,104	23,351,273	63,316,076	34,124,094
Kawartha Downs Hub	2,361,513	1,932,296	5,489,919	4,170,461	7,851,432	6,102,757
Ontario Jockey Club Network	246,112,210	240,655,341	176,288,000	181,716,263	422,400,210	422,371,604
OJC/Picov Hub	13,345,244	13,455,609	13,890,306	12,706,647	27,235,550	26,162,256
Ontario Teletheatre Network (OTN)	9,731,710	12,286,146	22,655,278	31,359,644	32,986,988	43,645,790
Western Fair *	36,206	251,023	2,080,931	1,159,278	2,117,137	1,410,301
Hiawatha Network*	9,827	28,043	707,723	1,236,974	717,550	1,265,017
Windsor Hub			71,862		71,862	
Rideau Network	6,236,239	8,832,979	15,740,585	18,283,166	21,976,824	27,116,145
Sudbury/OJC Network	5,688,405	4,567,898	11,089,463	12,889,979	16,777,868	17,457,877
Total	311,035,717	294,904,086	288,825,530	291,793,254	599,861,247	586,701,188

*part of OTN in 1995

Racing Statistics



Winner of \$2,565,477 lifetime, 6 year-old Riyadh was co-winner of the O'Brien Award for Horse of the Year with 17 wins and 8 seconds in 30 starts in 1996.

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Commission Activity – Thoroughbred

The Stewards issued 347 rulings against licensed personnel for various infractions involving owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders in 1996.

Inquiries by the Stewards

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1972	84	59	25
1973	39	24	15
1974	51	21	30
1975	41	15	26
1976	45	18	27
1977	26	5	21
1978	28	14	14
1979	59	29	30
1980	65	26	39
1981	92	48	44
1982	81	49	32
1983	109	67	42
1984	76	54	22
1985	63	51	12
1986	70	43	27
1987	62	42	20
1988	68	57	11
1989	79	64	15
1990	66	53	13
1991	78	66	12
1992	84	69	15
1993	71	52	19
1994	67	58	9
1995	49	31	18
1996	56	47	9

Claims of Foul

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1972	81	24	57
1973	78	28	50
1974	83	26	57
1975	86	29	57
1976	61	21	40
1977	93	24	69
1978	91	37	54
1979	97	32	65
1980	111	40	71
1981	131	40	91
1982	87	30	57
1983	93	27	66
1984	90	27	63
1985	90	32	58
1986	92	28	64
1987	89	27	62
1988	118	29	89
1989	117	18	99
1990	140	34	106
1991	131	42	89
1992	133	42	91
1993	144	40	104
1994	116	33	83
1995	103	23	80
1996	79	21	58

Scratches

	1994	1995	1996
By Commission			
Veterinarians	441	468	446
By Stewards	268	248	358
As part of entries	27	54	48
Out of stakes	32	52	36
Total	768	822	888

Trainers' Examinations

	1994	1995	1996
Number of examinations written	38	36	67
Number of examinations passed	30	16	40
Number of examinations failed	8	20	27

Urine and Blood Tests

	1993	1994	1995	1996
Number ordered by the stewards (inc. extras)	6,738	6,390	6,985	7,138
Number taken	6,616	6,520	6,966	7,110
Number abandoned	37	19	19	28

Claims – Standardbred

						\$Value	Average \$ Value
	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1996	1996
Barrie	57	84	74	64	35	146,375	4,182
Belleville	2	2	9	14	14	42,500	3,035
Clinton	9	4	8	11	16	50,250	3,140
Dresden	16	23	29	24	12	37,687	3,140
Elmira	16	26	45	32	46	215,250	4,679
Flamboro Downs	121	105	235	131	276	1,672,550	6,059
Goderich	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Greenwood	174	238	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hanover	15	9	11	14	14	35,500	2,535
Hiawatha	38	51	24	47	23	78,000	3,391
Kawartha Downs	19	20	16	25	9	29,000	3,391
Kingston Park	45	19	2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mohawk	130	166	257	274	338	7,975,500	23,596
Orangeville	43	18	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Rideau Carleton	55	74	66	88	130	527,375	4,056
Sudbury	15	13	18	17	36	111,250	3,090
Western Fair	84	83	76	55	94	321,750	3,422
Windsor	134	132	158	363	359	2,611,925	7,275
Woodbine			275	409	488	10,845,000	22,223
Woodstock	9	10	5	20	18	52,500	2,916
Total	982	1,077	1,308	1,588	1,908	22,869,037	11,985

Claims and Tattooing – Thoroughbred

Tattooing

Year	Number of Horses Tattooed
1982	936
1983	1,044
1984	1,056
1985	1,090
1986	1,310
1987	1,300
1988	1,419
1989	1,461
1990	1,327
1991	1,349
1992	1,292
1993	1,162
1994	988
1995	1,013
1996	1,034

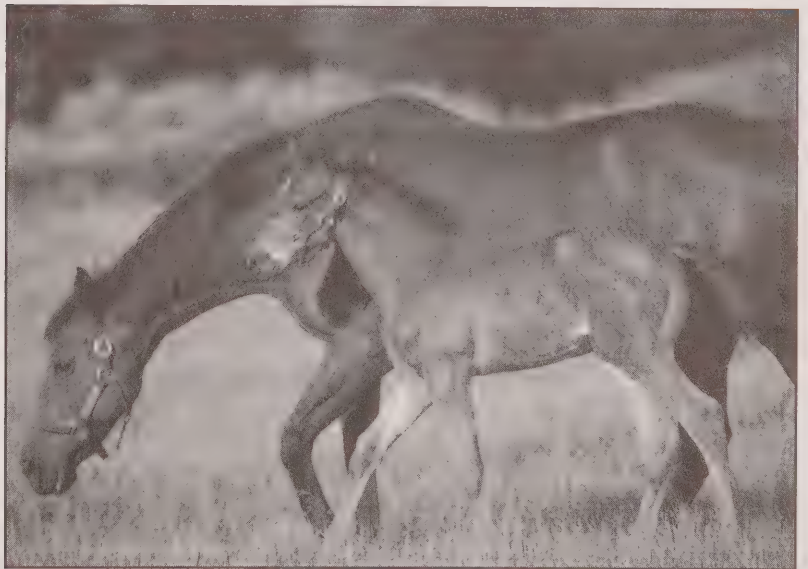
Claims

Year	No.	Average Value
1982	626	\$9,522
1983	689	\$10,316
1984	676	\$10,257
1985	696	\$10,379
1986	861	\$9,918
1987	913	\$11,234
1988	815	\$12,811
1989	1,050	\$9,878
1990	639	\$12,992
1991	544	\$13,320
1992	863	\$12,926
1993	821	\$12,554
1994	813	\$12,271
1995	932	\$12,438
1996	934	\$11,691

Positive Tests

	Standardbred					Thoroughbred				
	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Betamethasone	1									
Bumetanide				1						
Bupivacaine								1		
Butorphanol	1									
Caffeine	2		6	1	3					
Cathinone				2						
Clenbuterol		3					2			
Clidinium					1					
Cocaine	1		2	3						
Cotinine				1						
Cromoglycate	1	7	5	5	1	1				
Cyproheptadine					1					
Detomidine		2								
Diazepam			1							
Diclofenac	1			1						
Dipyrrone	3									
Dexamethasone	1	1								
Dimethylsulfoxide			1		2					
Ephedrine			8		3					
Ethacrynic Acid			2							
Flunixin	2	2		1						
Furosemide	6	6	4	8	12	2	4		1	
Glycopyrrolate							1			
Guaifenesin		2	5						1	
Heptaminol	1									
Hydrochlorothiazide			1							
Indomethacin				1						
Isoxsuprine	2									
Ketoprofen			6	1		2				
Ketorolac					1					
Lidocaine			1							
Mazindol	2									
Meclofenamic Acid	2		1	1						
Methamphetamine		3								
Methocarbamol	6	5	1	1	1				2	
Methylphenidate									1	
Methylprednisolone				1						
Morphine	1		2							
Nimesulide					5					
Pentoxifylline					1					
Phenylbutazone	3	2	5	5	5					3
Phenylpropanolamine	5	3			3		1	1		
Prednisolone		2	1	1	1	1				
Procaine	1	5	5	1	6		1	3		3
Promazine	1					1				
Propantheline				22						
Pyrilamine					1					
Salbutamol	1									
Salicylic Acid			2	2	3					1
Theobromine				2	1					
Theophylline		3	3		4				2	
Tranexamic Acid					1					
Trichlormethiazide	1		2							
Total Positive Tests	45	46	64	59	56	7	9	5	7	7
Total Positive Drugs	45	46	64	61	51	7	9	5	7	7

Improvement Programs



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In the 1996 Spring Budget, the Provincial Government announced a reduction in the tax collected on wagering from 7 percent (9% on tiactors) to .5 percent. This change became effective September 30, 1996.

Prior to this change the Ontario Government collected the tax from wagering at all race-tracks in the province. Since 1968 a portion of the tax was allocated to furthering the goals and requirements of Ontario's racing industry. Through consultation with the various sectors of the industry the Horse Improvement Program evolved to current format.

What is the purpose of the Improvement Program?

The Improvement Program serves four purposes:

1. to supplement purses paid to horse owners,
2. to improve the quality and quantity of racing stock in Ontario,
3. to fund equine research, and
4. to promote the Ontario-bred horse.

Has the Horse Improvement Program changed because of the tax reduction?

The Horse Improvement Program has not changed since the tax was reduced -- only who directs and administers the program has changed. When the Provincial Government made this change they also approved the business plan put forward by the Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association which details how the increased revenue would be distributed. The government has committed OHRIA to maintaining funding to the Improvement Program through a levy which is collected on wagering. The major difference in the program now is that OHRIA is responsible for administering and controlling the program, not the Ontario Racing Commission. Any fundamental changes to the program must, however, be approved by the Ontario Racing Commission.

What was the dollar value of the program in 1996?

While funding for the program changed as at September 30th to a just-in-time format, the program commitments were met in 1996. The 1996 program was calculated based on 1995 wagering of \$1,179,162,012. Based on this figure, the value of the Improvement Program in 1996 was \$30,357,735, allocated as follows:

Standardbred Racing:	\$16,864,784
Thoroughbred Racing:	\$13,482,878
Quarter Horse Racing:	\$10,073
TOTAL	\$30,357,735

The amount returned to each segment of the industry is prorated according to the total dollars wagered which are then apportioned to research, breeders' incentive programs, publicity budgets and supplemental purse grants.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HORSE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Equine Research

Under the 1996 program, The Guelph Centre for Equine Research at the University of Guelph was allocated funds for research projects.

Overnight Purse Supplements

This part of the program addresses purse levels in general through the distribution of overnight purse supplements. By supplementing purses paid to owners, the racing industry and the provincial government are encouraging the purchase of better racing stock and are helping to offset increasing operating costs which owners are experiencing.

In 1996, the Thoroughbred Industry received \$9,360,263 in overnight purse supplements and the Standardbred Industry received \$9,835,290

Racing and Breeding Incentives

Through the racing and breeding incentives, rebate money is actively directed towards programs which will benefit the industry.

The Standardbred Program totaled \$6,896,905 in 1996 and included the Ontario Sires Stakes and Trillium Series purses, Breeders' Awards, and a Publicity Budget.

The Thoroughbred Program totaled \$4,011,541 and included the Ontario Sires Stakes, a Publicity Budget and funding for major stakes purses.

The Ontario Sires Stakes Program

Established in 1974, the Ontario Standardbred Sires Stakes has proved to be one of the most successful government programs. It has reduced the outflow of Ontario capital to the United States for the purchase of yearlings, improved Ontario stock through economic incentives to breeders and increased employment in the racing industry.

In the Standardbred Program the Ontario Sires Stakes are a series of races with supplemented purses for two and three year old trotters and pacers at tracks across Ontario. It is a self-help program in which breeders, horsemen and tracks contribute to the purse through stallion levies, nomination and sustaining payments, starting fees and horsemen's purse fees.

The new Ontario Sires Stakes program for both two and three year-old horses has two tiers of races -- the Grassroots Series and the Gold Series. The average purse for the Grassroots Series was approximately \$47,000 before divisions. The Gold Series was raced in eliminations and finals with an approximate purse for each of the finals of \$100,000. For each category of horse (ie 2 year old filly trot) there were five Grassroots Series and five Gold Series spanning May through November.

In total there were 120 races (including eliminations and finals) which were contested in a total of 306 divisions. The total purse value of these races were \$9,132,575. Breeders' Awards of \$426,000 were distributed to the breeders of each of the top five horses in the eliminations and finals of the Gold Series.

To be eligible to the Ontario Sires Stakes, foals must have been sired by a stallion standing in Ontario and registered with the program. These stallions must either be owned or leased by an Ontario resident. As a result, the number and quality of sires standing in Ontario has improved considerably which has led to the development of breeding establishments which are now competitive on a world class level.

Because of the success of the Standardbred venture, a similar program was launched in 1975 for Thoroughbreds. In 1996 there were ten Ontario Sires Stakes Thoroughbred races with a total purse value of \$807,750.

Trillium Series

In an effort to promote the development of the Standardbred broodmare band in Ontario, ten races for two-year-old fillies were established eight years ago. Five races each for trotters and pacers went for a total purse of \$796,567.

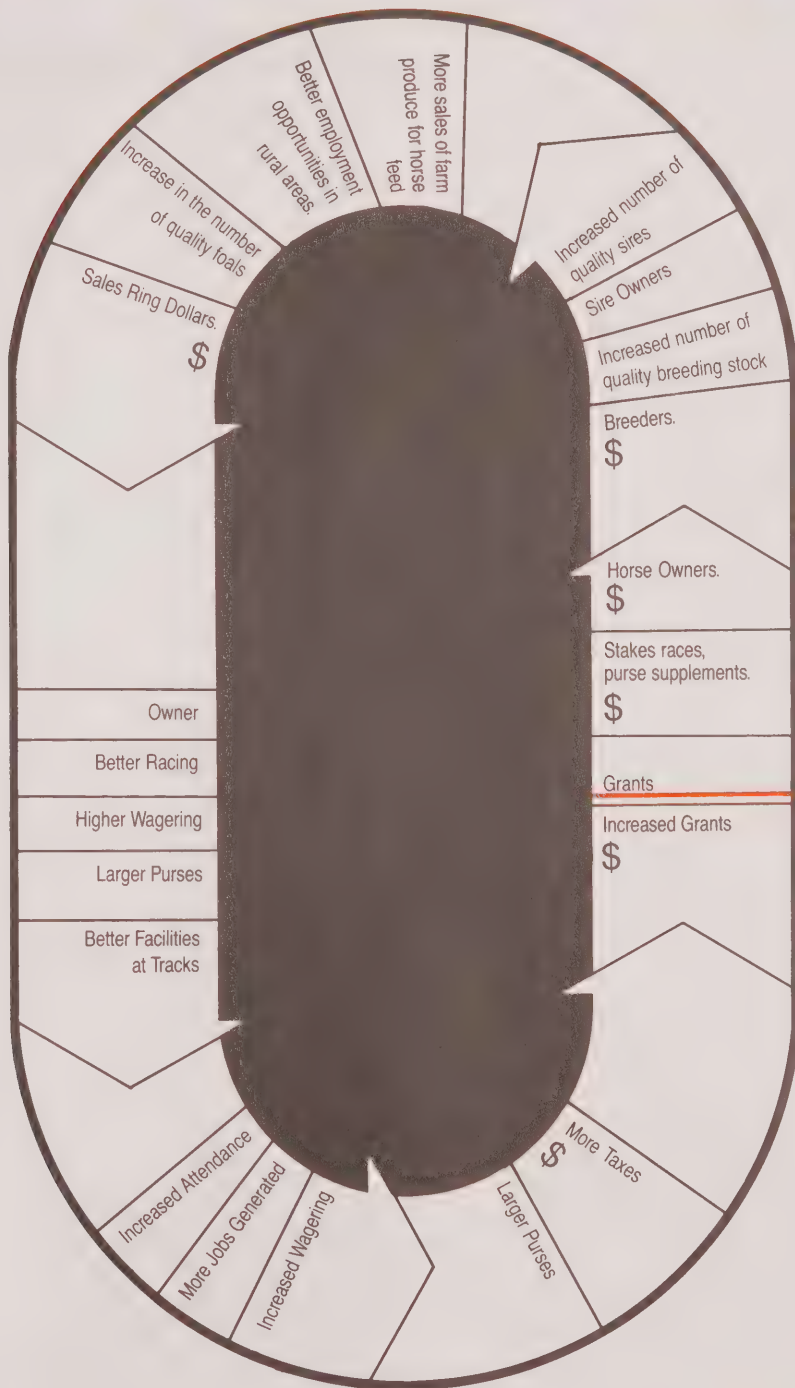
Thoroughbred Racing Incentives

Further assistance is allocated to the Thoroughbred industry through an incentive program for breeders which includes purse support to existing stakes to improve the sales appeal of Canadian-bred horses. In 1996, the total purse value of government supported stakes races was \$4,680,000. This figure includes Ontario Sires Stakes races but does not include starting fees to these races.

CONCLUSION

The Improvement Program is an excellent example of business and government working together to provide very tangible benefits to the residents of Ontario. Since its inception in 1974, this program has played a direct role in increasing employment in the racing industry, in helping small Ontario farms remain economically stable and, of course, in enhancing the enjoyment for the more than 5.5 million people who attend racing annually.

How the Program Stimulates Growth Within the Ontario Racing Industry



Improvement Program – 1995 Funding

Total 1995 Wagering

\$1,179,162,012

2% Of 1995 Wagering Handle:

Standardbred:

Supervised Tracks	\$12,442,277
Unsupervised Tracks (Fairs)	8,167
Triactor Tax Rebate	4,414,340

Thoroughbred 11,107,425

Triactor Tax Rebate 2,375,453

Quarter Horse 8,573

Triactor Tax Rebate 1,500

Total 1996 Rebate \$30,357,735

1996 Standardbred Program

Equine Research & Wellness Fund 124,422

Overnight Purse Supplements 9,835,290

Ontario Sires Stakes 5,720,905

Trillium Series 450,000

Publicity Budget 300,000

Breeders' Award 426,000

Unsupervised Tracks Purse Grants 8,167

Total Standardbred Program 16,864,784

1996 Thoroughbred Program

Equine Research 111,074

Overnight Purse Supplements 9,360,263

Racing and Breeding Incentives 4,011,541

Total Thoroughbred Program 13,482,878

1996 Quarter Horse Program

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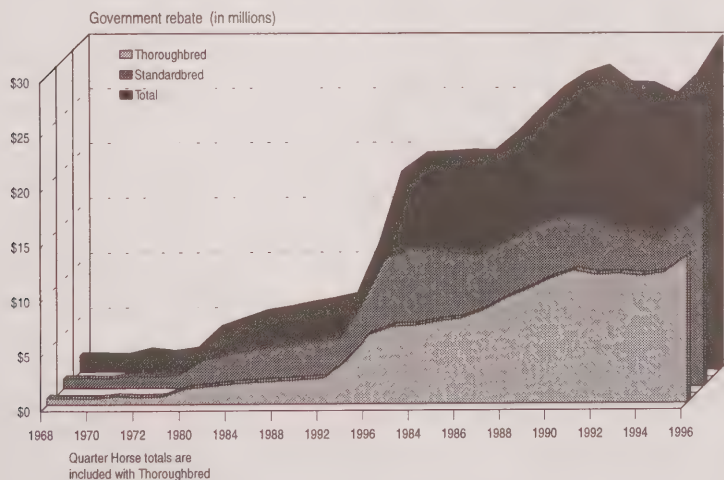
Total 1996 Improvement Program

\$30,357,735

Dollar Value Of The Improvement Program – 1968 To Present

Year	Standardbred Program	Thoroughbred Program	Quarter Horse Program	Program
1968	908,900	616,100		1,525,000
1969	930,438	570,269		1,500,707
1970	900,215	564,740		1,464,955
1971	1,175,877	774,168		1,950,045
1972	1,031,003	670,322		1,701,325
1973	1,266,493	747,010		2,013,503
1974	2,510,639	1,442,525		3,953,164
1975	3,027,349	1,662,351		4,689,700
1976	3,482,000	1,892,300		5,374,300
1977	3,711,000	2,030,100	4,300	5,745,400
1978	4,033,000	2,126,000	1,000	6,160,000
1979	4,249,000	2,250,000	1,000	6,500,000
1980	4,545,000	2,414,900	1,000	6,960,900
1981	7,736,000	3,942,000	2,000	11,680,000
1982	11,830,000	6,370,900	2,000	18,202,900
1983	12,604,000	7,092,000	2,000	19,698,000
1984	12,606,700	7,186,000	2,000	19,794,700
1985	12,370,200	7,579,400	1,648	19,951,248
1986	12,110,261	7,821,448	1,694	19,933,403
1987	13,048,446	8,574,346	2,793	21,625,585
1988	14,065,044	9,668,837	2,362	23,736,243
1989	15,129,484	10,516,099	2,822	25,648,405
1990	15,540,684	11,492,815	4,891	27,038,390
1991	15,496,549	12,194,895	6,698	27,698,142
1992	14,331,016	11,807,953	5,161	26,144,130
1993	14,186,216	11,890,239	3,722	26,080,177
1994	13,387,713	11,710,823	2,788	25,101,324
1995	15,115,830	11,989,756	15,440	27,121,026
1996	16,864,784	13,482,878	10,073	30,357,735

Improvement Program Funding



Thoroughbred Improvement Program



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1996 Thoroughbred Improvement Program

Allocation of Thoroughbred Improvement Program Funds

Total 1996 Thoroughbred Wagering	\$555,371,269
Provincial Rebate (2%)	\$11,107,425
Less 1% for Equine Research and Wellness Fund	111,074
Balance	\$10,996,351
Add: Triactor Rebate	2,375,453
Balance available for Improvement Program	\$13,371,804
Overnight Purse Supplements (70%)	\$9,360,263
Racing & Breeding Incentives (30%)	\$4,011,541

Overnight Purse Supplements

1971 through 1996

Year	Amount
1971	774,168
1972	630,322
1973	747,010
1974	1,104,420
1975	1,233,638
1976	1,406,100
1977	1,509,450
1978	1,581,500
1979	1,674,750
1980	1,678,900
1981	1,969,080
1982	4,282,700
1983	4,861,000
1984	4,956,900
1985	5,298,200
1986	5,404,962
1987	5,925,281
1988	6,681,338
1989	7,266,325
1990	7,940,730
1991	8,425,833
1992	8,158,351
1993	8,215,627
1994	8,090,833
1995	8,323,018
1996	9,360,263

Allocation of Funds to Thoroughbred Stakes Races

Allocation of Funds to the Incentive Program

Stakes Supplements

Canadian-bred Filly and Mare Stakes		\$370,000
Fury Stakes	Ontario Damsel Stakes	
Shady Well Stakes	Ontario Lassie Stakes	
Bison City Stakes	Fanfreleuche Stakes	
Wonder Where Stakes	Jammed Lovely Stakes	
Princess Elizabeth Stakes		
Open Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes		\$485,000
Whimsical Stakes	Nassau Stakes	
Star Shoot Stakes	Natalma Stakes	
Seaway Stakes	Canadian Stakes	
Selene Stakes	My Dear Stakes	
Duchess Stakes	Mazarine Stakes	
Hendrie Handicap	Ontario Fashion Stakes	
Belle Mahone	Maple Leaf Stakes	
Canadian-bred Colt Stakes		\$255,000
Achievement Stakes	Plate Trial Stakes	
Queenston Stakes	Clarendon Stakes	
Vandal Stakes		
Canadian Oaks		60,000
E. P. Taylor Stakes		\$100,000
Ontario Sires Stakes		
Stakes for O.S.S. eligible horses		\$530,000
Victoriana Stakes	Bunty Lawless Stakes	
Nandi Stakes	Sir Barton Stakes	
Shepperton Stakes	Kingarvie Stakes	
Bull Page Stakes	Lady Angela Stakes	
La Prevoyante Stakes	New Providence Stakes	
Ontario Breeders' Improvement Stakes		
Restricted Filly and Filly & Mare Stakes		\$250,000
Ontario Matron Stakes		
Ontario Debutante Stakes		
Ontario Colleen Stakes		
Glorious Song (Open)		
Sales Stakes		
6 Yearling Sales Stakes for Canadian-breds		
Muskoka Stakes	Algoma	\$450,000
Simcoe Stakes	Halton Stakes	
Elgin Stakes	Kenora Stakes	
Juvenile Stakes (CTHS Two Year Old in Training Sales Stakes - Colt & Filly Divisions)		\$50,000
H.J. Addison Stakes		\$35,000
H.A. Hindmarsh Stakes		\$35,000
Breeders Awards for Canadian-breds		\$990,250
Owners Awards for Ontario-breds		\$310,000
Canadian-bred Promotion Program		\$82,500
Total Allocation of Funds to the Incentive Program		\$4,002,750

1996 Thoroughbred Incentive Program by Division

	Number of Races	Div.	Track Added Added \$	Government Added Added \$	Total \$
Ontario Sires Stakes (not including entry fees)					
2 y/o	1	1	22,000	53,000	185,000
2 y/o Fillies	1	1	22,000	53,000	100,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	22,000	53,000	100,000
3 y/o Fillies	2	2	44,000	106,000	200,000
3 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	22,000	53,000	85,000
3 y/o & Upwards	3	3	66,000	106,000	285,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	1	1	44,000	53,000	100,000
Total Ontario Sires Stakes	10	10	220,000	530,000	750,000
Canadian-bred Stakes					
2 y/o	2	2	65,000	85,000	150,000
2 y/o Fillies	5	5	165,000	245,000	410,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	25,000	75,000	100,000
3 y/o	3	3	80,000	170,000	250,000
3 y/o Fillies	6	6	290,000	260,000	550,000
3 y/o & Upwards	3	3	75,000	225,000	300,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	3	3	135,000	140,000	275,000
Total Canadian-bred Stakes	21	21	835,000	1,200,000	2,035,000
Supplemental Stakes					
2 y/o Fillies	6	6	280,000	270,000	550,000
2 y/o Colts & Geldings	1	1	25,000	25,000	50,000
3 y/o Fillies	4	5	185,000	165,000	350,000
3 y/o & Upwards	1	1		35,000	35,000
3 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	7	7	425,000	335,000	760,000
4 y/o & Upwards - Fillies & Mares	2	2	90,000	60,000	150,000
Total Supplemental Stakes	21	22	1,005,000	890,000	1,895,000
Total Racing Incentive Program	56	57	2,060,000	2,620,000	4,680,000

Ontario Sires Stakes

The Ontario Sires Stakes are a series of ten races restricted to progeny of stallions standing in the Province of Ontario and registered with the program at the Ontario Racing Commission. The stallion must also be owned or leased by an Ontario resident. A popular bonus of this program is that although you must breed to an Ontario stallion, the foal does not have to be Canadian-bred to run in these races. This benefits the stallion owner by attracting out-of-province mares because regardless of where the foal is dropped, it is eligible to these races.

Breakdown of the 1996 Thoroughbred Ontario Sires Stakes

Date	Ontario Sires Stakes	Track Money Added	Gov't Money Added	Starting Fees	Total Purse
May 4	3 Y/O Fillies <i>Lady Angela Stakes</i>	\$22,000	\$53,000	6,750	81,750
May 20	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>New Providence Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	3,750	78,750
July 14	2 Y/O Colts & Geldings <i>Bull Page Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	5,250	80,250
July 20	2 Y/O Fillies <i>Nandi Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	8,250	83,250
July 28	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>Shepperton Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	6,000	81,000
Sept. 7	3 Y/O & Upwards Fillies & Mares <i>Victoriana Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	6,000	81,000
Oct. 13	3 Y/O Colts & Geldings <i>Sir Barton Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	4,500	79,500
Oct. 14	3 Y/O Fillies <i>La Prevoyante Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	5,250	80,250
Nov. 3	3 Y/O & Upwards <i>Bunty Lawless Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	6,750	81,750
Dec. 7	2 Y/O <i>Kingarvie Stakes</i>	22,000	53,000	5,250	80,250
Total		\$220,000	\$530,000	57,750	807,750

Thoroughbred Stallions

Stallions Registered For Ontario Sires Stakes Program

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Thoroughbred	81	69	68	69	71

Yearling Sales Statistics

As a major indicator of the health of the industry, statistics on sales ring activity can be used to gauge business trends and the effect of the improvement program funds. The increase in value of the Thoroughbred stakes program as a result of the government rebate program has had the effect of improving the pedigrees of Canadian-bred and Ontario-sired horses which in turn improves their marketability and performance in the sales.

Canadian Breeders Sales

Canadian Breeders Sales, the province's major Thoroughbred sales company, benefits from the improvement program through six stakes restricted to sales graduates. This promotes the sale and increases the earning potential of horses that pass through the sales ring.

Yearling Sales Statistics

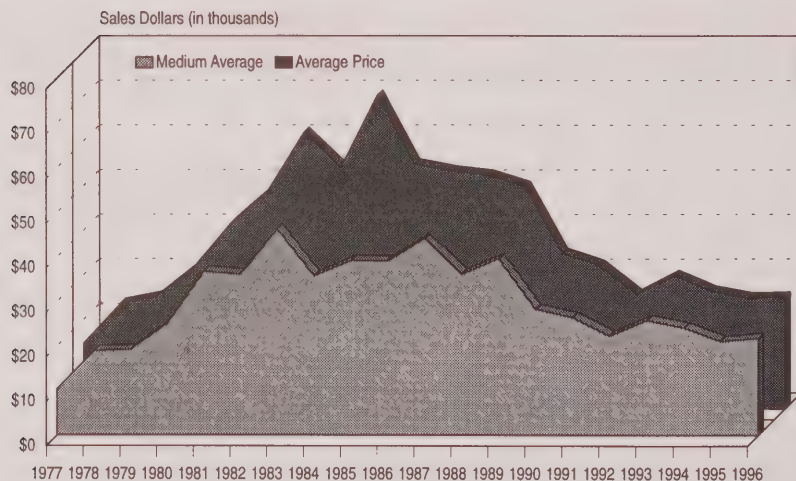
September Yearling Sale - Selected Canadian-breds

Year	Sold	Gross	Average	% Change from Prior Year	Median	Median Average*
1981	231	9,598,700	41,553	31.4%		36,714
1982	233	11,358,500	48,749	17.3%		36,120
1983	218	13,499,000	61,922	27.0%	40,000	46,259
1984	211	11,424,500	54,145	-12.6%	25,000	35,716
1985	189	13,273,000	70,228	29.7%	33,000	39,179
1986	201	11,032,000	54,886	-21.8%	35,000	39,062
1987	233	12,418,000	53,296	-2.9%	37,000	44,120
1988	206	10,785,500	52,357	-1.8%	30,000	36,051
1989	216	10,760,000	49,815	-4.9%	35,000	39,586
1990	183	6,383,000	34,880	-29.9%	25,000	28,286
1991	138	4,424,700	32,063	-8.1%	23,000	26,400
1992	154	3,948,900	25,642	-20.0%	20,000	22,257
1993	149	4,452,500	29,883	16.5%	23,000	25,790
1994	116	3,056,900	26,353	-11.8%	20,000	24,120
1995	131	3,251,900	24,823	-5.8%	20,000	21,054
1996	121	3,027,500	25,021	0.8%	20,000	21,792

* Median Average = median price excluding the top 10% and the bottom 10%

Yearling Sales Averages

September Yearling Sale



September Yearling Sale - Selected Canadian-breds

Year	Top 50 Sold		Top 50 Ontario-Sired	
	Sales \$	Average	Sales \$	Average
1981	5,123,000	102,460	3,391,000	67,820
1982	5,930,000	118,600	3,440,000	68,800
1983	7,906,000	158,120	3,792,000	75,840
1984	7,462,000	149,240	2,856,000	57,120
1985	9,571,000	191,420	2,408,000	48,160
1986	6,823,000	136,460	3,134,000	62,680
1987	6,395,000	127,900	3,617,000	72,340
1988	6,709,000	134,180	2,632,000	52,640
1989	5,771,000	115,420	3,124,000	62,480
1990	3,749,000	74,980	1,724,000	34,480
1991	3,057,000	61,140	1,590,500	31,810
1992	2,501,500	50,030	1,728,500	34,570
1993	2,687,000	53,740	1,827,500	36,550
1994	2,137,000	42,740	1,449,500	28,990
1995	2,199,000	43,980	1,395,500	27,910
1996	2,187,000	43,740	1,110,000	22,200

Performance of Ontario Sires

1996 September Yearling Sale

Stallion	Stud Fee	No. Sold	Total
Ascot Knight	6,500	3	99,500
Bold Executive	2,000	10	164,500
Bold Revenue	1,250	4	39,000
Bold Ruckus	15,000	3	131,000
Briartic	6,000	1	13,000
Charlie Barley	3,500	1	17,000
Cote d'Ivoire	750	1	7,000
Great Gladiator	3,500	6	60,500
Home At Last	3,500	1	40,000
No Louder	2,500	1	20,000
Prosperous	n/a	1	17,000
Regal Classic	7,500	8	227,000
Regal Intention	5,000	8	138,500
Secret Claim	2,500	1	7,500
Shotiche	3,500	7	103,500
Steady Growth	3,000	2	26,000
Tralos	1,500	4	23,500
Vice Regent	15,000	1	77,000
Average Stud Fee: \$4,853			
No. Sold: 63			
Total Sales: \$1,211,500			
Average: \$19,230			

Highest Prices at the September Yearling Sale

Yearlings which sold for \$60,000 and more

\$135,000	ch. c. by Black Tie Affair (Ire)-Glimpse of Heaven (consigned by Dr. Jacques Levasseur, Agent for Ferme Du Bois Vert) bought by Crystal River Bloodstock
\$ 80,000	b.c. by Cryptaclearance-Phoenix Factor (consigned by Woodlands (Gail Wood), Agent for Adrian Anderson) bought by Peter So
\$ 80,000	b.c. by Belong To Me-Persian Oak (consigned by Hill 'n' Dale Sales Agency, Agent) bought by P. Chiodo
\$ 77,000	b.f. by Vice Regent-Low Mintage (consigned by Windfields Farm, Agent for Don Danard) bought by G.M. Hendie
\$ 77,000	b.c. by Alydeed-Arch Miss (consigned by Anderson Farms) bought by J.M. Stritzl Stable
\$ 70,000	ch.c. by Ascot Knight-Veridian (consigned by Windfields Farm) bought by Crystal River Bloodstock
\$ 65,000	dk.b./br. f. by Silver Deputy-Diamond Coast (consigned by Windfields Farm) bought by Silverbook Farm
\$ 65,000	dk.b./br. f. by Slew O'Gold-Workin Girl, (consigned by Woodlands (Gail Wood) Agent for Netherbrae Inc.) bought by Josham Farms Agent.
\$ 62,000	b.f. by Bold Ruckus-Cindora (Ire) (consigned by Michael C. Byrne, Agent for Park Stud) bought by Winsong Farm & Don Danard
\$ 60,000	b.c. by Belong To Me-Gleaming Water (consigned by Dr. Jacques Levasseur, Agent) bought by Crystal River Bloodstock

Horses Purchased by Out-Of-Province Buyers

In 1996 the number of horses purchased by out-of-province buyers from the October Breeding Sale, October Yearling Sale and September Yearling Sale in Toronto was 24 for a total value of \$782,000.

The sustained support of foreign buyers indicates the attractiveness of the "made in Canada" product.

	No. Sold	\$ Value
Canada (outside Ontario)	0	-
United States	17	317,000
Overseas	7	465,000
Total	24	782,000

Standardbred Improvement Programs



Through an aggressive simulcast program and the development of a strong teletheatre network, Elmira Raceway has demonstrated the success that can accrue to innovation and hard work.

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1996 Standardbred Improvement Program

Allocation of Standardbred Improvement Program Funds

Total 1995 Standardbred Wagering - Supervised Tracks	\$622,113,876
Provincial Rebate (2% of wagering handle)	\$12,442,277
Less: 1% of Rebate for Equine Research and Wellness Assurance Fund	(124,422)
Less: .05% of Rebate for O.S.S. program	(62,211)
Balance	12,255,644
Add: Triactor Rebate	4,414,340
Balance available for Improvement Program including Triactor Rebate	\$16,669,984
Overnight Purse Supplements (59%)	\$9,835,290
1995 Racing and Breeding Incentives (41%)	\$6,834,694
Less: Trillium Series	(450,000)
Publicity and Promotion Budget	(300,000)
Add: Additional Funds (0.5%) as shown above	62,211
Balance Available for the Ontario Sires Stakes	\$6,146,905

Overnight Purse Supplements

Grants To Increase Purses

Track	Total 1996 Overnight Purse Supplements
CLASS I	
Ontario Jockey Club	\$4,299,714
Windsor	1,712,762
CLASS II	
Flamboro Downs	723,309
CLASS III	
Rideau Carleton	634,727
Western Fair	565,995
Barrie	310,864
Elmira	380,945
Hiawatha	264,989
Sudbury Downs	267,713
Kawartha Downs	199,912
CLASS IV	
Dresden	114,995
Woodstock	103,387
Belleville	96,668
Hanover	91,439
Clinton	67,871
TOTAL	\$9,835,290

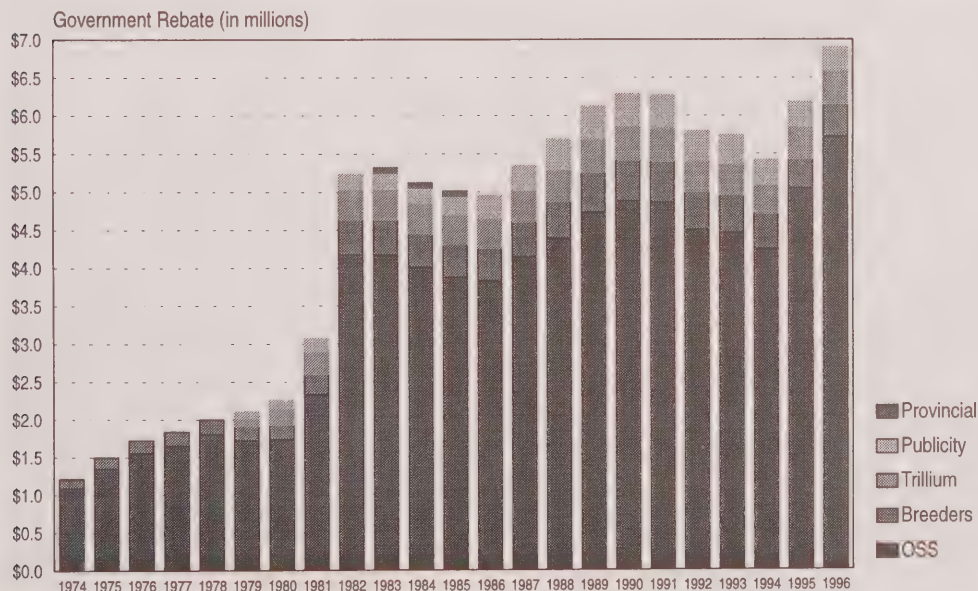
1971 through 1996

Year	Amount
1971	\$1,175,877
1972	1,031,003
1973	1,266,493
1974	1,266,493
1975	1,497,391
1976	1,724,750
1977	1,839,250
1978	2,000,000
1979	2,108,000
1980	2,256,000
1981	4,602,000
1982	6,362,000
1983	7,174,000
1984	7,377,200
1985	7,254,650
1986	7,007,561
1987	7,550,792
1988	8,192,437
1989	8,812,878
1990	9,015,932
1991	9,026,491
1992	8,347,375
1993	8,265,285
1994	7,801,220
1995	8,812,447
1996	9,835,290

Racing and Breeding Incentives - 1974 to present

Year	Ontario Sires Stakes Races	Breeders' Awards	Publicity and Promotion Budget	Trillium Series	Interprovincial Series	Total Incentives Program Funds
1974	1,091,156	121,240				1,212,396
1975	1,347,652	149,739				1,497,391
1976	1,552,275	172,475				1,724,750
1977	1,655,325	183,925				1,839,250
1978	1,800,000	200,000				2,000,000
1979	1,721,700	191,300	89,600	105,400		2,108,000
1980	1,737,900	193,100	100,000	225,000		2,256,000
1981	2,332,128	259,072	170,000	306,800		3,068,000
1982	4,175,120	463,880	192,000	400,000		5,231,000
1983	4,173,800	463,700	210,000	400,000	75,000	5,322,500
1984	4,006,000	445,100	200,000	400,000	75,000	5,126,100
1985	3,873,818	430,432	235,000	400,000	75,000	5,014,250
1986	3,828,990	425,416	300,000	400,000		4,954,406
1987	4,144,861	460,520	315,000	420,000		5,340,381
1988	4,385,751	487,304	400,000	420,000		5,693,055
1989	4,728,784	525,420	430,000	440,000		6,124,204
1990	4,878,293	542,032	430,000	440,000		6,290,325
1991	4,862,382	540,265	430,000	440,000		6,272,647
1992	4,500,634	500,084	390,000	410,000		5,800,718
1993	4,458,312	495,360	380,000	410,000		5,743,672
1994	4,240,067	471,119	330,000	380,000		5,421,186
1995	5,045,802	379,800	430,000	325,000		6,180,602
1996	5,720,905	426,000	450,000	300,000		6,896,905

Racing and Breeding Incentives



Trillium Series

The Trillium Series is a program of five pacing races and five trotting races for two-year-old fillies. In 1996 the Series was contested for a total of \$796,567 in purses.

Restricted to fillies which are at least 75% owned by Ontario residents, the program was designed to encourage the purchase of well-bred fillies which would eventually enter the broodmare ranks in the province.

Fillies Nominated and Sustained

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
No. of Fillies Nominated					
Fillies	483	483	479	476	489
No. Of Fillies Sustained					
Pacers	265	259	251	262	247
Trotters	110	148	128	132	169
Total	403	316	374	394	416

1996 Trillium Series For Ontario-owned Fillies

FASTEST MILES

Category	Year	Horse	Time	Track
1/2 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1992	Incredible Way	1:56.4	Flamboro
Trot:	1993	Lady Is A Pro Armbro Monarch	2:02.0	Western Fair
5/8 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1994	Glendale Kim	1:54.3	Kawartha
Trot:	1987	Cosmic Storm	1:59.1	Windsor
7/8 Mile Tracks				
Pace:	1995	Cathedral/Worth The Win	1:56.1	Woodbine
Trot:	1995	Tasha Yar	2:00.4	Woodbine

Ontario Sires Stakes - Standardbred Stallions

The foundation of the Ontario Sires Stakes program is the stallions registered with the Ontario Racing Commission. To be eligible to the program the stallion must be owned by an Ontario resident or leased to an Ontario resident for a period of not less than 5 years. Any foals resulting from a breeding to a registered stallion are eligible for nomination to the Ontario Sires Stakes.

Stallions Registered in the Ontario Sires Stakes Program

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
No. of Stallions	190	158	148	130	135

Leading Standardbred Stallions

	# of O.S.S. Starters	Starters' Earnings
Pacing Stallions		
Run The Table	82	\$1,069,975
Dexter Nukes	59	921,729
Camluck	28	710,713
Threefold	17	358,195
Easy Goer	20	293,108
Trotting Stallions		
Balanced Image	68	\$1,480,666
A Go Go Lauxmont	23	696,968
Super Pleasure	45	638,158
Orbel G G	45	296,722
Dunkery Beacon	4	232,549



Balanced Image



Run The Table

Leading Ontario Sires Stakes Stallions of Two-Year-Olds

Stallion	No. of Starters	No. of Winners	No. of Wins			Fastest Win			Starters' Earnings	Largest Winner
			1/2	5/8	7/8	1/2	5/8	7/8		
Two Year Old Colt Pacers										
Camluck	17	8	7	2	5	1:56.0	1:54.0	1:54.0	\$492,203	Northern Luck (\$194,450)
Dexter Nukes	15	7	5		4	1:59.1		1:51.3	\$217,395	The Big Dog (\$100,115)
Run The Table	15	3	4			1:58.2			\$129,273	Rackum Red (\$34,039)
Easy Goer	2	1	3			1:57.1			\$116,780	Aint Lookin Back (\$116,201)
Carlsbad Cam	11	2	3			1:59.2			\$52,581	Armbro Pulsate (\$32,265)
Two Year Old Filly Pacers										
Run The Table	22	10	11	1	1	1:56.1	1:56.3	1:58.4	\$401,739	Ruthellenkilean (\$114,397)
Dexter Nukes	14	5	4	2	3	1:58.1	1:57.2	1:56.0	\$334,130	Armbro Penelope (\$147,674)
Camluck	11	6	6	1	3	1:56.3	2:01.0	1:55.2	\$248,510	Whenuwishuponastar(\$162,684)
Carlsbad Cam	10	2	2			2:00.4			\$41,970	R G Fancy Cam (\$8,907)
Armbro Emerson	11	1	1			2:03.1			\$30,789	Nat Lash (\$8,925)
Two Year Old Colt Trotters										
Balanced Image	21	5	1	4	1	2:08.3	2:02.0	1:59.2	\$343,376	So And So (\$67,436)
Dunkery Beacon	1	1		6	2		2:00.0	2:00.1	\$227,407	Mighty Beacon (\$227,407)
Brisco Hanover	2	1		4			1:59.0		\$140,057	Carriage House (\$140,057)
K M Lazer	3	3	3	1		2:03.2	2:03.1		\$74,629	Mapleton (\$36,003)
Orbel G G	4	2	2			2:06.2			\$55,132	That Gutsy Guy (\$30,711)
Two Year Old Filly Trotters										
Balanced Image	16	7	5	4	1	2:03.1	1:58.4	1:57.4	\$289,213	Elegantimage (\$140,693)
A Go Go Lauxmont	3	1	4		3	2:02.0		2:00.2	\$274,938	Razzle Dazzle Tom (\$272,720)
Royal Strength	15	3	3		1	2:06.1		2:00.2	\$124,664	Strong And Fancy (\$61,463)
King Conch	15	2	2		1	2:06.2		2:03.0	\$91,929	C L Brilliant (\$45,617)
Orbel G G	3	2	2	2		2:08.0	2:05.2		\$91,018	Successful G G (\$49,328)

Leading Ontario Sires Stakes Stallions of Three-Year-Olds

Stallion	No. of Starters	No. of Winners	No. of Wins			Fastest Win			Starters' Earnings	Largest Winner
			1/2	5/8	7/8	1/2	5/8	7/8		
Three Year Old Colt Pacers										
Dexter Nukes	17	3	1		3	1:57.1		1:53.0	\$231,993	Duke of Abby (\$129,390)
Threefold	9	2	2	1		1:55.0	1:53.4		\$199,642	NY Knick (\$106,710)
Run The Table	21	3	1	3		1:57.2	1:54.0		\$147,664	Twin B Reno (\$41,305)
Fundamentalist	4	1		2	1		1:54.1	1:52.0	\$142,978	Racing Fund (\$142,978)
Armbro Emerson	14	4	4	2	2	1:57.3	1:55.1	1:54.1	\$106,964	Armbo October (\$39,574)
Three Year Old Filly Pacers										
Run The Table	24	9	7	4		1:56.3	1:57.3		\$391,299	Cathedra (\$156,449)
Threefold	8	1		3	1		1:54.3	1:54.4	\$158,553	Hayser Creek (\$144,884)
Dexter Nukes	13	3	1	4		1:57.1	1:55.0		\$138,211	Elbees Finest (\$58,936)
Ring Of Light	3	2	3		2	1:56.2		1:56.4	\$123,662	G G Dancer (\$97,691)
Armbro Emerson	13	8	5	4		1:59.2	1:56.4		\$89,689	Guelph Gal (\$27,731)
Three Year Old Colt Trotters										
A Go Go Lauxmont	11	4	5	2	2	1:57.2	1:57.0	1:57.3	\$353,904	B Cor Timgo (\$140,517)
Balanced Image	14	5	4	2	1	2:02.3	1:57.0	1:55.0	\$329,994	Armbo Officer (134,166)
Super Pleasure	15	3	2	2		1:58.3	1:56.2		\$178,269	Touch Of Pleasure (\$72,212)
Orbel G G	4	4	7	1		2:00.4	1:59.0		\$104,144	Hams Sherry (\$34,697)
Worthy Bowl	12	2	3		1	2:01.2		1:58.0	\$65,783	P D Chabs (\$18,981)
Three Year Old Filly Trotters										
Balanced Image	17	9	7	8	1	1:58.4	1:58.4	1:56.4	\$518,083	Mombasa (\$152,360)
Super Pleasure	20	4	2	3	2	2:04.1	1:58.4	1:57.2	\$395,698	Paige Seelster (\$150,320)
A Go Go Lauxmont	8	3	3	1		2:02.2	2:00.0		\$66,814	Princess Vicky (\$20,670)
Orbel G G	4	2	2			2:02.4			\$46,428	Naomi Rumona (\$22,339)
Revolver	6	1	2			2:03.4			\$37,432	Parkhill Salsa (\$18,690)

Ontario Sires Stakes

The Ontario Sires Stakes program was established in 1974 and consists of a series of races for two and three year old trotters and pacers. The program was designed to improve the Ontario Standardbred by providing incentives for breeders and owners to invest their capital in an Ontario product.

Eligibility to the Ontario Sires Stakes is restricted to progeny of stallions standing in the province and registered with the Ontario Racing Commission. Yearlings must then be nominated by May 15th of their yearling year and sustained to race either as two-year-olds or three-year-olds. Nominating and sustaining fees are collected and then distributed together with the Improvement Program Funds in the form of purses.

Horses Nominated and Sustained

No. of Horses Nominated

Year	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
O.S.S. Number	#21	#22	#23	#24	#25
Colts	1052	921	904	863	833
Fillies	1050	906	900	896	832
Total	2102	1827	1804	1759	1665

No. of Horses Sustained

O.S.S. Number	#19	#20	#20	#21	#21	#22	#22	#23	#23	#24
Colts	421	662	482	603	443	543	389	605	459	583
Fillies	475	565	404	556	402	513	377	575	423	574
Total	896	1227	886	1159	845	1056	766	1180	882	1157

Ontario Sires Stakes – Race Records

Ontario Sires Stakes Race Records (1974–1996)

with World Record Comparisons

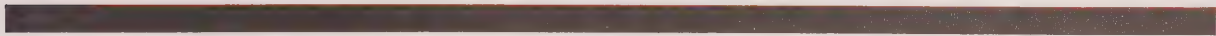
Canadian Sires Stakes Race Records (1974-1996)					World Record		1974 OSS Records	
Category	Year	Horse	Time	Track	Horse	Time	Horse	Time
1/2 Mile Tracks								
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1994	Mr G	1:54.0	Elmira	Falcon Seelster	1:51.0	Terry Parker	2:04.1
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1993	Classic Wish	1:54.1	Flamboro Downs	She's A Great Lady	1:51.2	Merrywood Sara	2:03.0
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1996	Arva Crest Ago Go	1:57.2	Flamboro Downs	Incredible Abe	1:55.4	Dart Camp	2:08.3
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1995	Worthy Countessa	1:58.3	Barrie	Peace Corps/CR Kay Suzie	1:56.0	Shoein	2:08.0
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1996	Northern Luck	1:56.1	Flamboro Downs	Tooter Scooter/W R H/Easter Sun Hanna	1:54.1	Hotspurs Honour	2:07.3
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1996	Ruthellenkilean	1:56.1	Flamboro Downs	Scotalot	1:55.1	Western Kate	2:08.0
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1993	Ambro Marshall	1:59.3	Barrie	Royal Troubador	1:58.1	Oakhurst Sargent	2:10.1
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1995	Tasha Yar/Veras Image	2:01.4	Flamboro/Elmira	CR Kay Suzie	1:56.3	Shawland Belle	2:09.1
5/8 Mile Tracks								
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1994	Delayed Decision	1:52.3	Mohawk	Riyadh	1:50.1	Ambro Odyssey	2:02.3
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1993	Jo Car Lyn	1:54.1	Greenwood	Hardie Hanover	1:52.1	Merrywood Sara	2:01.0
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1994	Woodman	1:55.0	Mohawk	Mack Lobell	1:54.1	Dart Camp	2:05.1
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1986	Nadirs Pride	1:57.1	Kawartha Downs	Expressway Hanover	1:55.4	Mia Herbert	2:05.3
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1996	Northern Luck	1:54.0	Windsor	Artspale	1:51.1	Pat's Bye Bye	2:05.0
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1995	Cathedra	1:55.0	Mohawk	Central Park West/Hardie Hanover	1:53.3	Epiphany	2:05.4
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1993	Airies Canada	1:58.1	Greenwood	King Couch	1:56.2	Delvin Herbert	2:07.0
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1996	Elegantimage	1:58.4	Windsor	CR Kay Suzie	1:56.1	Shawland Belle	2:09.3
7/8 Mile Tracks								
3 Y/O Colt Pace	1995	Real Profit	1:52.0	Woodbine	Pacific Rocket	1:51.0	Mr G/Ambro Maestro	1:52.3
	1996	Racing Fund						
3 Y/O Filly Pace	1995	Talking Picture	1:54.3	Woodbine	Hardie Hanover	1:51.3	Talking Picture (1995)	1:54.3
3 Y/O Colt Trot	1996	Ambro Officer	1:55.0	Woodbine	Bye Tsem	1:55.1	Ambro Marshall	1:58.3
3 Y/O Filly Trot	1994	Image Of A Clear Day/	1:59.1	Woodbine	Image Of A Clear Day/	1:56.2	Image Of A Clear Day/	1:59.1
		Casurina	1:59.1		Casurina	1:56.2	Casurina	
2 Y/O Colt Pace	1996	The Big Dog	1:51.3	Woodbine	The Big Dog/Gothic Dream	1:51.3	Rabbi Of Racing	1:56.1
2 Y/O Filly Pace	1995	Cathedra	1:54.3	Woodbine	Cathedra	1:54.3	Eddilriousness	1:58.2
2 Y/O Colt Trot	1996	Captain Claude	1:59.2	Woodbine	Eager Seelster	1:58.3	Dell Ridge Image	1:59.3
2 Y/O Filly Trot	1996	Elegantimage	1:57.4	Woodbine	Lookout Victory	1:57.2	Goodtime Doll/Brylin Glory	2:02.2

Divisional Leading Money Winners

		Ontario Sires Stakes Earnings	Total 1996 Earnings	Lifetime Record
Three-Year-Old Colt Pace	Racing Fund (Fundamentalist)	\$142,978	\$319,493	1:52.0S
	Duke Of Abby (Dexter Nukes)	129,390	402,303	1:52.3F
	NY Knick (Threefold)	106,710	178,722	1:53.3F
	National Issue (Threefold)	63,215	88,490	1:53.4F
	Party Stores (Scorpion)	45,883	63,232	1:53.3S
Three-Year-Old Filly Pace	Cathedra (Run The Table)	\$156,449	\$295,636	1:52.3S
	Hayser Creek (Threefold)	144,884	157,634	1:52.4S
	G G Dancer (Ring Of Light)	97,691	150,700	1:55.3F
	Elbees Finest (Dexter Nukes)	58,936	70,921	1:55.0F
	Inconceivable (Easy Goer)	55,575	63,778	1:55.4H
Three-Year-Old Colt Trot	B Cor Timgo (A Go Go Lauxmont)	\$140,517	\$203,106	1:57.0F
	Armbo Officer (Balanced Image)	134,166	354,010	1:55.0S
	Arva Crest Ago Go (A Go Go Lauxmont)	107,392	156,202	1:56.1F
	G G Travis (Balanced Image)	73,926	107,920	1:56.0M
	Touch Of Pleasure (Super Pleasure)	72,212	130,096	1:56.2F
Three-Year-Old Filly Trot	Mombasa (Balanced Image)	\$152,360	\$204,159	1:57.1S
	Paige Seelster (Super Pleasure)	150,320	161,283	1:56.4S
	Armbo Obey (Balanced Image)	134,286	216,014	1:58.4H
	Veras Image (Balanced Image)	105,946	115,945	1:56.4S
	Tasha Yar (Super Pleasure)	97,197	102,597	1:57.2S
Two-Year-Old Colt Pace	Northern Luck (Camluck)	\$194,450	\$293,822	1:54.0S
	Aint Lookin Back (Easy Goer)	116,201	122,475	1:57.1H
	By Xample (Camluck)	115,098	227,057	1:54.3S
	The Big Dog (Dexter Nukes)	100,115	648,302	1:51.3S
	Coal Luck (Camluck)	75,779	81,543	1:55.4S
Two-Year-Old Filly Pace	Whenuwishuponastar (Camluck)	\$162,684	\$426,762	1:55.1F
	Armbo Penelope (Dexter Nukes)	147,674	147,674	1:56.0S
	Ruthellenkilleen (Run The Table)	114,397	206,231	1:56.1H
	Streisand Fan (Run The Table)	70,925	73,645	1:57.1M
	Lobro Amazing (Dexter Nukes)	61,783	158,624	1:57.2F
Two-Year-Old Colt Trot	Mighty Beacon (Dunkery Beacon)	\$227,407	\$227,407	2:00.0F
	Carriage House (Brisco Hanover)	140,057	141,744	1:59.0F
	So and So (Balanced Image)	67,436	131,270	2:01.2S
	Keystone Nordic (Balanced Image)	57,226	94,724	1:58.4F
	J N Lumerous (Balanced Image)	50,192	50,979	2:02.0F
Two-Year-Old Filly Trot	Razzle Dazzle Tom (A Go Go Lauxmont)	\$272,720	\$403,357	2:00.2S
	Elegantimage (Balanced Image)	140,693	352,857	1:57.4S
	Strong and Fancy (Royal Strength)	61,463	75,232	2:00.2S
	Morning Image (Balanced Image)	54,915	84,128	2:03.1H
	Successful G G (Orbell G G)	49,328	56,796	Q2:08.2F

Summary of the 1996 Racing Program

	No. of Races		No. of Divisions			Nominating	Sustaining	Start	Track
	Gold	GR	Gold	CH	GR	Total	Fees	Fees	Fees
OSS 23 – Three Year Old Program									
3 Y/O Colt Pace	5	5	20	26	46	12,512.50	170,400.00	177,980.00	125,000.00
3 Y/O Filly Pace	5	5	18	26	44	12,512.50	145,800.00	161,340.00	125,000.00
3 Y/O Colt Trot	5	5	18	18	36	12,512.50	105,000.00	152,590.00	125,000.00
3 Y/O Filly Trot	5	5	16	18	34	12,512.50	108,000.00	161,350.00	125,000.00
Total	20	20	72	88	160	50,050.00	529,200.00	653,260.00	500,000.00
OSS 24 – Two Year Old Program									
2 Y/O Colt Pace	5	5	19	22	41	12,182.25	146,800.00	160,860.00	125,000.00
2 Y/O Filly Pace	5	5	17	25	42	12,182.25	138,800.00	165,220.00	125,000.00
2 Y/O Colt Trot	5	5	18	12	30	12,182.25	86,400.00	149,190.00	125,000.00
2 Y/O Filly Trot	5	5	16	17	33	12,182.25	90,800.00	148,440.00	125,000.00
Total	20	20	70	76	146	48,729.00	462,800.00	623,710.00	500,000.00
Total OSS 23 & OSS 24	40	40	142	164	306	98,779.00	992,000.00	1,276,970.00	1,000,000.00
Trillium Series									
2 Y/O Filly Pace	5		12		12	29,000.00	74,100.00	59,420.00	37,250.00
2 Y/O Filly Trot	5		12		12	19,900.00	50,700.00	52,700.00	23,500.00
Total	10		24		24	48,900.00	124,800.00	112,120.00	60,750.00
Total Racing Program	50	40	166	164	330	147,679.00	1,116,800.00	1,389,090.00	1,060,750.00
Future Program									
OSS 24									
1/2 1995 Yearling Nominations						48,725.00			
OSS 25									
1996 Yearling Nominations						101,400.00			
Program Grand Total	50	40	166	164	330	297,804.00	1,116,800.00	1,389,090.00	1,060,750.00

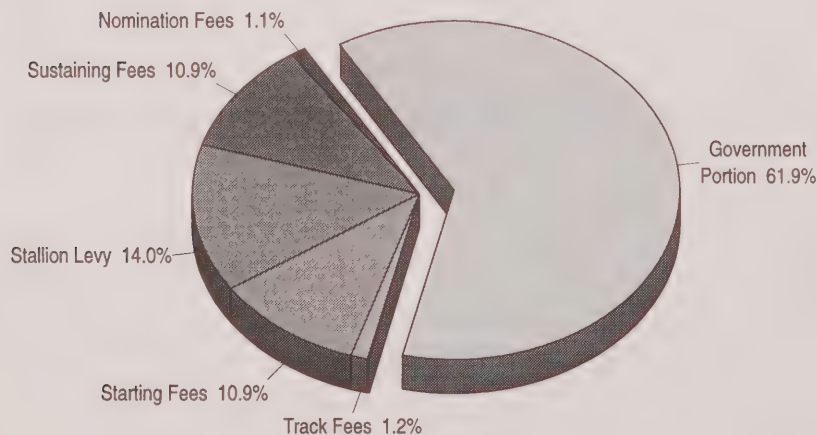


Government Grant (Net Breeders' Awards)	Stallion Levy to Grassroots	Gold	Purse Grassroots	Total	Breeder's Awards Gold Events only	Total Program
707,355.11	13,649.39	918,270.00	288,627.00	1,206,897.00	53,250.00	1,260,147.00
707,348.62	11,678.88	881,210.00	282,470.00	1,163,680.00	53,250.00	1,216,930.00
707,357.79	8,410.71	844,477.00	266,394.00	1,110,871.00	53,250.00	1,164,121.00
707,361.48	8,651.02	853,230.00	269,645.00	1,122,875.00	53,250.00	1,176,125.00
2,829,423.00	42,390.00	3,497,187.00	1,107,136.00	4,604,323.00	213,000.00	4,817,323.00
707,351.61	20,169.14	880,846.00	291,517.00	1,172,363.00	53,250.00	1,225,613.00
707,352.75	19,070.00	880,830.00	286,795.00	1,167,625.00	53,250.00	1,220,875.00
707,367.08	11,870.67	826,550.00	265,460.00	1,092,010.00	53,250.00	1,145,260.00
707,356.56	12,475.19	825,441.00	270,813.00	1,096,254.00	53,250.00	1,149,504.00
2,829,428.00	63,585.00	3,413,667.00	1,114,585.00	4,528,252.00	213,000.00	4,741,252.00
5,658,851.00	105,975.00	6,910,854.00	2,221,721.00	9,132,575.00	426,000.00	9,558,575.00
224,999.00		424,769.00		424,769.00		424,769.00
224,998.00		371,798.00		371,798.00		371,798.00
449,997.00		796,567.00		796,567.00		796,567.00
6,108,848.00	105,975.00	7,707,421.00	2,221,721.00	9,929,142.00	426,000.00	10,355,142.00
						48,725.00
						101,400.00
6,108,848.00	105,975.00	7,707,421.00	2,221,721.00	9,929,142.00	426,000.00	10,505,267.00

Composition of Ontario Sires Stakes and Trillium Purses

	\$	%
Ontario Sires Stakes #23 & # 24		
Total Nomination Fees	\$98,779.00	1.1%
Total Sustaining Fees	992,000.00	10.9%
Starting Fees	1,276,970.00	14.0%
Track Portion	1,000,000.00	10.9%
Stallion Levy (to Grassroot Series Purses)	105,975.00	1.2%
Government Portion of Purses	5,658,851.00	61.9%
Total Ontario Sires Stakes Purses	\$9,132,575.00	100.0%
Breeders' Awards	\$426,000.00	
Total Ontario Sires Stakes Program	\$9,558,575.00	
Trillium Series		
Total Nomination Fees	48,900.00	6.1%
Total Sustaining Fees	124,800.00	15.7%
Starting Fees	112,120.00	14.1%
Track Portion	60,750.00	7.6%
Government Portion of Purses	449,997.00	56.5%
Total Trillium Purses	\$796,567.00	100.0%
Total Standardbred Program	\$10,355,142.00	

Composition of Ontario Sires Stakes Purses



Yearling Sales Statistics

Canadian Classic Yearling Sale

Canadian Standardbred Horse Society

Year	Top 50 Sold		% change	Top 50 Ontario-sired		% change
	Sales \$	Average		Sales \$	Average	
1986	2,002,000	40,040	16.4%	1,528,000	30,560	-7.9%
1987	2,164,000	43,280	8.1%	2,020,000	40,400	32.2%
1988	1,828,000	36,560	-15.5%	1,651,000	33,020	-18.3%
1989	1,515,000	30,300	-17.1%	1,383,000	27,660	-16.2%
1990	1,270,500	25,410	-16.1%	1,039,000	20,780	-24.8%
1991	1,389,500	27,790	9.4%	1,326,500	26,530	27.8%
1992	1,349,500	26,990	-2.8%	1,231,500	24,630	-7.1%
1993	1,464,000	29,280	8.5%	1,353,000	27,060	9.8%
1994	1,716,000	34,320	17.2%	1,685,000	33,700	24.5%
1995	2,292,000	45,840	33.6%	2,196,000	43,920	30.3%
1996	1,503,500	30,070	-34.4%	1,404,500	28,090	-36.0%

Ontario Stallion Statistics

Canadian Classic Yearling Sale

Stallion	Stud Fee \$	No. Sold	Total \$	Average \$
Apaches Fame	3,000	1	14,000	14,000
Armbro Emerson	2,500	16	156,200	9,763
Balanced Image	15,000	24	812,500	33,854
Bilateral	3,000	2	33,000	16,500
Bo Knows Jate	3,000	1	10,000	10,000
Brisco Hanover	n/a	3	57,500	19,167
Camluck	4,000	12	430,700	35,892
Carlsbad Cam	3,500	12	150,200	12,517
Cheyenne Spur	3,000	8	89,000	11,125
Dexter Nukes	5,000	40	958,000	23,950
Frugal Gourmet	1,900	1	3,500	3,500
King Conch	5,000	27	275,900	10,219
Mr Chin	3,000	1	8,000	8,000
Nuclear Flash	2,000	5	51,700	10,340
Royal Strength	3,500	12	157,900	13,158
Run The Table	8,000	37	625,400	16,903
Super Pleasure	4,000	15	215,700	14,380
Threefold	2,000	1	16,000	16,000
Topnotcher	1,500	2	10,700	5,350
Totally Ruthless	2,000	2	9,000	4,500

Average Stud Fee:	\$4,055	No. Sold at Sale:	222
Average Sale Price:	\$18,400	Total Sales:	\$4,084,900

1996 Standardbred Improvement Program - Unsupervised Tracks

As part of the Racetracks Tax Sharing Arrangement, two percent of the amount wagered at unsupervised tracks (fairs) is rebated by the province to the respective agricultural societies. These funds are used to enhance the level of purses distributed at the fairs where standardbred racing is conducted. The Ontario Racing Commission does not supervise the operation of fair racing.

1995 Standardbred Wagering - Unsupervised Tracks

\$408,372.00

Provincial Rebate (2% of wagering handle)

\$8,167.00

Daily allocation for 1996 based on 36 days of racing

\$226.87

Purse Supplement

1996 Wagering Statistics			1996 Improvement Program		
Track	1996 Dates	Wagering \$	1995 Dates	Daily Supplement	1996 Purse Supplement
Ancaster	2	30,517	2	\$226.87	\$453.74
Arnprior	1	4,322	1		\$226.87
Beamsville			2		\$453.74
Binbrook	2	16,841	2		\$453.74
Brockville	1	6,671	2		\$453.74
Brooklin	1	11,043	1		\$226.87
Dorchester			1		\$226.87
Forest	1	4,152	1		\$226.87
Markham	2	51,543	2		\$453.74
Melbourne	1	3,852	1		\$226.87
Norwood	1	15,198	1		\$226.87
Ohswegen			1		\$226.87
Orillia			1		\$226.87
Orono	1	6,493	1		\$226.87
Paris	1	25,914	2		\$453.74
Parkhill			1		\$226.87
Perth	1	18,346	1		\$226.87
Port Perry	1	13,495	1		\$226.87
Rodney	1	2,735	1		\$226.87
Shedden			1		\$226.87
Simcoe	4	60,374	4		\$1,087.48
South Mountain	1	4,177	2		\$453.74
Spencerville	1	6,317	1		\$226.87
Sutton	1	11,727	1		\$226.87
Tillsonburg	1	7,836	1		\$226.87
Wallacetown			1		\$226.87
Total	25	301,553	36		\$8,167.00

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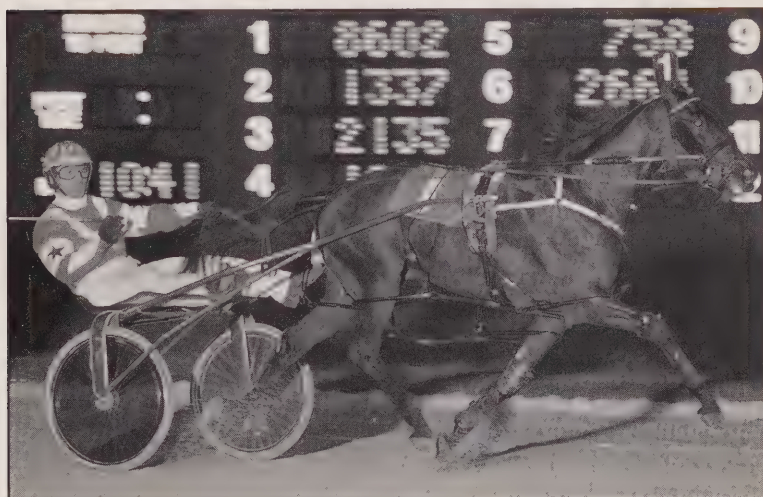
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Western Dreamer

Western Dreamer earned Horse of the Year honours in Canada and Pacer of the Year honours in the United States in 1997. The three-year-old gelded son of *Western Hanover* became the first horse in 14 years to win pacing's Triple Crown. With earnings of over \$1.3 million, *Western Dreamer* captured a 14-7-3 record in 29 starts.

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Chief Bearhart

Named Canada's Horse of the Year after a tremendous season which included winning the Breeders' Cup Turf race, *Chief Bearhart* won 5 out of 7 starts with 1997 earnings of \$2,011,259. *Chief Bearhart* also received the 1997 Eclipse Award in the United States for Outstanding Turf Horse of the Year.

(Photo: Adam Coglianese)

Chair's Letter to the Minister



**Ontario
Racing
Commission**

The Honourable David Tsubouchi
Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations,
Parliament Buildings,
Queen's Park,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Minister:

We are pleased to submit this forty-eighth Annual Statistical Report of the Ontario Racing Commission, covering the operations of the Commission during 1997.

The positive effects of the decision by the government in 1995 to reduce the provincial tax on wagering are becoming apparent. Racetracks are revitalizing their facilities, purses at some tracks have started to increase, prices paid for Ontario-bred horses have begun to rise, and attendance at racetracks is noticeably larger. Pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding entered into between the government, the horse racing industry and the Commission, we have monitored the industry expenditure of the funds that became available as a result of the tax reduction and we are satisfied that the objectives of the government are being met.

In 1997 the Ontario Racing Commission completed the transfer of the administration of the Horse Improvement Program to the Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association. The Commission will continue to monitor the operation of the Program to ensure that its objective of sustaining the superior quality of Ontario-bred horses and Ontario racing is maintained.

The Ontario horse racing industry eagerly awaits the initiative of the government to permit the racing industry to secure additional sources of gaming revenue. The Commission will be vigorously monitoring the impact of this initiative to ensure that its goal of enhancing live horse racing is met.

As part of its prime responsibility to advance the integrity of horse racing, the Ontario Racing Commission has taken active steps to protect the health and welfare of the horse. One initiative has been to develop a positive working relationship with those involved with the protection of animal rights. The Commission has also undertaken the production a video to be made available to the industry and the media, promoting the regulatory work of the Commission.

The Ontario Racing Commission shares the renewed optimism that exists within the horse racing industry in Ontario and recognizes the government's efforts in providing the industry with the means to compete in the exciting entertainment/gaming marketplace.

Yours faithfully,

Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.
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Highlights Of 1997

- ❑ Three new commission members were appointed in 1997: Mr. Ernest Nock, a businessman from Oakville, Mr. Thomas G. Deacon, a lawyer and Thoroughbred horse owner from Toronto and Ms. Patricia Bullock, an owner and operator of Glengate Farms, a standardbred breeding operation in Milton. All were appointed to a three year term.
- ❑ Ontario Racing Commission Steward Richard Grubb received the Avelino Gomez Memorial Award, presented annually at Woodbine Race Track for "significant contributions" to the sport of Thoroughbred Racing. The award was given to Grubb for "the class he displayed, and the respect received from jockeys, trainers, owners and track officials, in his career as a jockey and now as a steward."
- ❑ 1997 was a banner year for Canadian horses competing in the Breeders' Cup. After winning the Canadian International at Woodbine, *Chief Bearhart* went on to win the Breeder's Cup Turf race. This performance earned him Horse of the Year honours in Canada and Turf horse of the Year honours in the United States. *Dawson's Legacy* placed second in the Juvenile Colts for owner Joe Stritzl. In the Juvenile Fillies Kinghaven Farm's *Primaly* was third and *Kirby's Song*, owned by Kirby Canada, finished fifth. Kinghaven Farm's *Whiskey Wisdom* placed fourth in the Classic.
- ❑ A permanent home for the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame was opened this year at Woodbine Race Track in space provided by The Ontario Jockey Club. Open to the public, the site follows a museum format with rotating exhibits filled with memorabilia, photographs, statues, trophies, etc.
- ❑ The 1997 Breeders' Crown finals for all eight two and three-year-old divisions were held at Mohawk Raceway. A capacity crowd of over 6,300 saw a stunning evening of races, with Canadians and Ontario-bred horses figuring prominently. Over \$4 million was wagered on the card of racing, making it one of the most successful harness racing nights ever.
- ❑ Ontario-owned *Western Dreamer* became the first horse in 14 years to win pacing's Triple Crown - the Cane Pace, the Little Brown Jug and the Messenger. Earning over \$1.3 million the gelded son of *Western Hanover* won Pacer of the Year honours in the United States and Horse of the Year honours in Canada.
- ❑ In its 100th season historic Fort Erie Race Track was sold by The Ontario Jockey Club to Nordic Gaming Corporation. The new owners plan to develop the site as an entertainment complex to include VLT's when approval is obtained.
- ❑ Winrac Developments Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Windsor Raceway Inc. has leased Dresden Raceway from the Dresden Agricultural Society. This venture gives Windsor Raceway control of the track for the next five years.
- ❑ Transfer of the administration of the Horse Improvement Program to the Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association was completed in 1997. The transition of duties began in 1996 when the tax reduction changed the manner in which the funding for the program was collected. The ORC and OHRIA worked successfully to ensure that the mechanics of the transfer were not felt by the participants. The staff of the Commission is to be commended for their hard work and dedication to the program for over 24 years, work that helped to make the program one of the best of its type in the world.
- ❑ Built to replace the Greenwood Racetrack site, the new Greenwood teletheatre opened on December 17, 1997. The 42,000 square foot state-of-the-art structure has been designed from the top down to meet the needs of the betting public. Early numbers from the site are very encouraging.



The 6,300 fans who attended the 1997 Breeders Crown races held at Mohawk Raceway will remember the spectacular evening of races for years to come.
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Racing Commission Act

Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990, Chapter R.2

The Ontario Racing Commission was established under the Racing Commission Act by the Ontario Provincial Government in 1950 to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in the province.

1. In this Act,

- (a) Commission means the Ontario Racing Commission;
- (b) Minister means the member of the Executive Council to whom the administration of this Act is assigned by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. ("ministre") R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 1.

2. The body corporate known as the Ontario Racing Commission, established under *The Racing Commission Act*, 1950, being chapter 67, is continued under the name Ontario Racing Commission in English and the name Commission des courses de l'Ontario in French, and shall be composed of not fewer than three and not more than seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 2, *revised*.

3. The objects of the Commission are to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 3.

4. The members of the Commission shall hold office for a term of not more than three years, but any person is eligible for reappointment. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 4.

5. (1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall name one of the members to be the chair and one of the members to be the vice-chair.

(2) When the office of chair is vacant or in the absence of the chair, the vice-chair shall act in his place and stead. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 5.

6. (1) At any meeting of the Commission a majority of the members constitutes a quorum, and a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of the Commission determines any question.

(2) The chair has a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 6.

7. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may fill any vacancy that occurs in the membership of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 7.

8. The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall fix the salaries of the chair, the vice-chair and the other members of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 8.

9. The salaries and expenses of the members of the Commission and of the officers, clerks and other employees thereof, and generally all costs, charges and expenses incurred and payable in respect of the carrying out of this Act, shall be paid out of the monies appropriated therefor by the Legislature. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 10.

10. The Commission has power,
- (a) to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms;
- (b) to govern, control and regulate the operation of race tracks in Ontario at which any form of horse racing is carried on;
- (c) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers, and to require by a summons signed by the chair or by any other member of the Commission any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as the Commission considers requisite in any such hearing;
- (d) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act, by a fine or other penalty or otherwise;
- (e) to make by-laws for the conduct of its business and for the control and direction of its work;
- (f) to license persons to operate race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;
- (g) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespersons and

such other persons in or about racetracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on, and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;

- (h) to fix and collect fees or other charges for licences, prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which they may be issued;
- (i) to refuse to grant any licence or to suspend or revoke any licence for conduct that the Commission considers to be contrary to the public interest;
- (j) to require registration with the Commission of, and to register colours, assumed names, partnerships and contracts and such other matters and things as the Commission considers expedient;
- (k) to fix and collect fees or other charges for registration under clause (j) and to prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which registration may be made;
- (l) to make and promulgate rules for the conduct of horse racing in any of its forms;
- (m) to employ stewards, veterinarians, analysts, secretarial assistants, judges and such other persons as the Commission considers expedient to attend at race meetings on behalf of the Commission;
- (n) to require approval by the Commission of the appointment of race track officials and employees whose duties relate to the actual running of horse races and to compel the discharge for cause of any such official or employee;
- (o) to fix, impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act;
- (p) to require persons licensed to operate race tracks to keep books of account in a manner satisfactory to the Commission, and to inspect such books at any time;
- (q) to do such things relating to horse racing in any or all of its forms, or to the operation of race tracks at which

horse racing is carried on, as are authorized or directed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 11; 1981, c. 33, s. 2.

11. The accounts of the Commission shall be audited by the Provincial Auditor or by such other auditor as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 12.

12. The Commission shall make a report annually to the Minister, containing such information as the Minister may require. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 13.

13. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations with respect to any and all matters or things that are considered necessary for the carrying out of this Act. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 14.

14. (1) Rules for the conduct of horse racing may be promulgated by the Commission under this Act and the Commission may therein delegate to stewards, judges, veterinarians, race track officials, racing association officials, licensing agents or officers of the Commission such of the following powers as the Commission considers expedient,

- (a) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers;
- (b) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act;
- (c) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespeople and such other persons in or about race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on;
- (d) to collect fees or other charges for licenses;
- (e) to impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act.

(2) The Commission may adopt by reference, in whole or in part, with

such changes as the Commission considers necessary, rules and procedures of racing associations or bodies and may delegate to racing associations or bodies the power to,

- (a) enforce the carrying out and observance of the rules and procedures as adopted or amended;
- (b) hold hearings in respect of the contravention of any of the said rules or procedures; and
- (c) impose and collect fines, costs and other penalties for the contravention of any of the rules or procedures, and where a power has been so delegated to a racing association or body, it shall have the right to exercise discretion or judgment in relation to the powers delegated.

(3) Every person, association or body to whom a power to hold hearings has been delegated under subsection (1) or (2), may by summons require any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as may be required for purposes of a hearing.

(4) Subject to subsection (6), any person who considers themselves aggrieved by a decision of a person delegated by the Commission under a rule made under subsection (1) or by a decision resulting from a hearing held pursuant to a delegation under subsection (2), is entitled to a hearing by the Commission and, in the case of a hearing, the Commission may exercise its powers and duties under section 10 as if such powers and duties had not been delegated.

(5) Where the Commission, after holding a hearing, is of the opinion that the request for the hearing was frivolously made, the Commission may order the person requesting the hearing to pay to the Commission a penalty of no more than \$300 in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed.

(6) Where the rules of the Commission, promulgated or adopted, provide for an appeal to an association or body, any person who considers themselves aggrieved shall appeal in

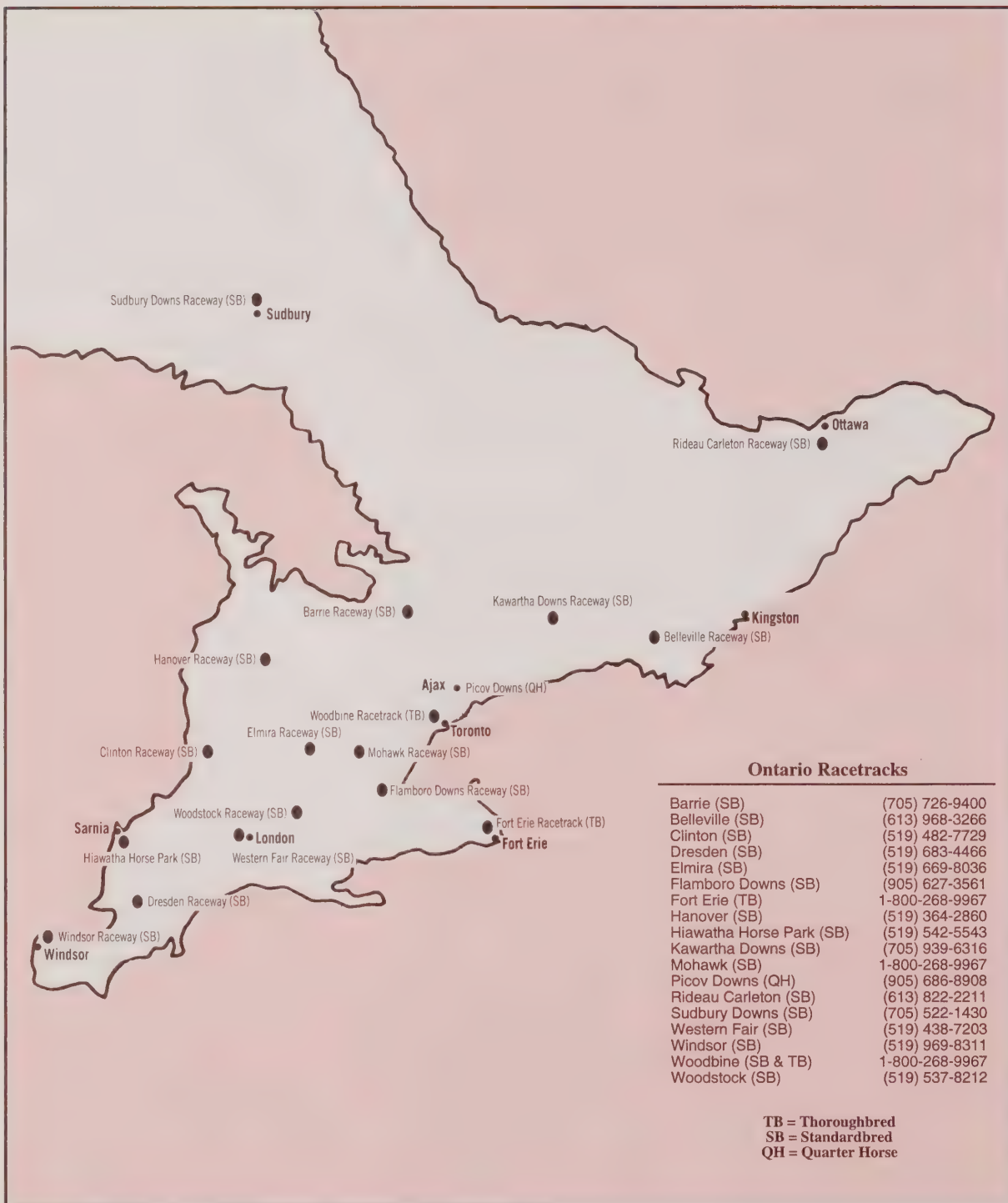
accordance with the rules before applying to the Commission for a hearing under subsection (4).

(7) Any order or rule issued or made by the Commission under this Act shall be deemed to be of an administrative and not of a legislative nature.

(8) One member of the Commission constitutes a quorum for the purposes of a hearing under subsection (4).

(9) The Commission may, on its own motion, review any decision made by a racing association or body pursuant to a power delegated under subsection (2) and may, after affording the parties an opportunity to be heard, confirm the decision reviewed or substitute its own decision in lieu thereof. 1980, c. 429 s. 15.

Ontario Racetracks



Ontario Racetracks

Barrie (SB)	(705) 726-9400
Belleville (SB)	(613) 968-3266
Clinton (SB)	(519) 482-7729
Dresden (SB)	(519) 683-4466
Elmira (SB)	(519) 669-8036
Flamboro Downs (SB)	(905) 627-3561
Fort Erie (TB)	1-800-268-9967
Hanover (SB)	(519) 364-2860
Hiawatha Horse Park (SB)	(519) 542-5543
Kawartha Downs (SB)	(705) 939-6316
Mohawk (SB)	1-800-268-9967
Picov Downs (QH)	(905) 686-8908
Rideau Carleton (SB)	(613) 822-2211
Sudbury Downs (SB)	(705) 522-1430
Western Fair (SB)	(519) 438-7203
Windsor (SB)	(519) 969-8311
Woodbine (SB & TB)	1-800-268-9967
Woodstock (SB)	(519) 537-8212

TB = Thoroughbred
 SB = Standardbred
 QH = Quarter Horse

Ontario Racing Commission



The horses round the turn of the E.P. Taylor Turf Course heading into the stretch. David Landry Photo

Personnel of the Commission

As at December 31, 1997, the Commission consisted of:

Chair

Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.

Vice-Chair

Lynda Tanaka

Members

Patricia Bullock

Diane Carlton

Thomas G. Deacon

Bruce Duncan, D.V.M.

Ernest Nock

Officials of the Commission

Director

J. Major

Deputy Director of Racing

W.T. Stone

Deputy Director of Finance and Administration

G. Fernandes

Commission Counsel

A. Gibson

Supervisor of Thoroughbred Racing

E. Hall

Supervisor of Standardbred Racing

W. Fines

Executive Assistant to Chairman

V. Donovan

Administrative Officer

R. Roy

Head Office Staff

Communications

W.L. Hoogeveen

Chairman's/Director's Secretary

J. Chang Alloy

Secretary

D. Wright

Receptionist

D. Melo-Cordeiro (backfill)

Administrative Assistant

T. Iwanciw

Purchasing and Licensing Clerks

D. Lefebvre

A. Mason

Licensing and Filing Clerk

B. McKinnon (backfill)

Judges and Stewards

G. Belore

G. Cahill

J. Campbell

P. Cass

A. Caughey

R. Croteau

B. Davies

D. Dew

P. Dyson

C. Fraleigh

L. Geisel

D. Godkin

V. Gould

R. Grubb

T. Guthrie

N. Ham

P. Harrison

P. Hawman

W. Hicks

W. Lawrence

W. McDonnell

R. McGee

I. McHutchion

J. McLane

R. McKinney

N. McKnight

W. McMahan

T. Miller

R. Minler

J. Murphy

J. Nemett

W. Pennington

T. Provost

C. Raymond

D. Raymond

J. Thatcher

R. Villeneuve

P. Webb

Field Staff

R. Arsenault

G. Balwar

G. Bertrand

C. Brown

J. Brown

R. Compton

H. Duford

L. Hebbard

V. James

K. Kennelly

G. Lebel

N. Manente

J. McEachern

J. McKenna

L. Moffatt

D. Platts

E. Powell

G. Taylor

M. Taylor

T. Weir

A. Wilson

R. Zimis

Commission Activity

Meetings and Hearings

The seven-member Commission meets on a regular basis to establish policy, to deal with administrative matters and to act as a quasi-judicial tribunal.

Commission Meetings

The Commission held ten formal meetings during 1997 at which regular business was attended to.

Hearings

In addition to formal meetings, the Commission sat for sixty-five days at which licensees appeared for hearings or appeals.

Thoroughbred

The Commission held thirty-six Thoroughbred hearings; 32 were appeals of rulings pertaining to the Rules of Thoroughbred Racing and four were hearings related to licensing and other issues. Of the appeals, 23 were dismissed, one was dismissed with a varied penalty, six were allowed, one was allowed with conditions and one was partially allowed.

Standardbred

The Commission held fifteen Standardbred hearings; ten were appeals of rulings pertaining to the Rules of Standardbred Racing and five were hearings related to licensing and other issues. Of the appeals, three were dismissed, three were dismissed with a varied penalty, three were allowed and one was altered.

General

In addition to the above, the Commission sat for nineteen days of public hearings. The Commission heard 17 teletheatre applications, all of which were approved, eight racecate related applications and 4 other matters.

Racing Industry Appeal Board

This appeal tribunal is appointed by the Ontario Racing Commission upon recommendations from the Canadian Trotting Association and the Ontario Harness Horse Association.

This board hears Standardbred appeals relative to fines of less than \$500.00 and/or suspensions of less than 30 days. The Board sat for four days at which twenty-one licensees appeared to have their appeals dealt with. Five appeals were allowed and 15 appeals were disallowed.

Memberships

Association of Racing Commissioners, International

The Commission continues to hold active membership in the Association of Racing Commissioners International. This organization is comprised of representatives from all racing commissions throughout North America, Mexico and the Caribbean. The organization acts as a clearing house for changes in racing rules and statistical information. The Chair is a member of the Executive Board. Deputy Director of Racing, Terry Stone, serves on both the Thoroughbred and Standardbred Rules Committee.

Racetracks Security Canada

Acting to facilitate the transfer of information between organizations on security matters and the investigation process, this organization is made up of racetrack security personnel as well as Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency and Commission representatives.

American Association of Equine Practitioners

This association is a professional society of more than 4,500 members from the United States, Canada and over 40 other countries. Since its founding in 1944, one of the primary roles of the AAEP has been to act in an advisory capacity to the racing industry on matters affecting the health of the horse.

Rulings

Thoroughbred

During 1997, the Commission issued 39 Commission Thoroughbred rulings. The Stewards issued 504 rulings for various infractions against licensed personnel including owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders.

Standardbred

During 1997, the Commission issued 293 Commission Standardbred rulings. The Judges issued 1068 rulings for various infractions against licensed personnel including owners, trainers, drivers and grooms.

Summary of Licences Issued

The Ontario Racing Commission licenses any person practicing a profession, trade or occupation or at any licensed Ontario racetrack.

Thoroughbred

Total number of licences issued includes reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licences	No. of Licences
	1997	1996
Owner, New Owner and Owner Renewal	2,059	1,842
Trainer and Trainer Assistant	294	244
Owner/Trainer, New and Renewals	263	247
Jockey	107	85
Jockey Apprentice, Valets, and Jockey Agent	63	69
Tradesmen	153	158
Veterinarian	38	32
Occupational (Other)	1,716	1,845
Pari-Mutuel (started licensing under SB in May 1997)	336	576
Total Licences Issued	5,029	5,098

Standardbred

Total number of licences issued includes reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licences	No. of Licences
	1997	1996
Owner, New and Renewal	7,136	7,222
Stable/Multiple Ownership	535	518
Trainer	2,947	2,973
Driver	1,423	1,453
Groom	3,617	3,783
Tradesmen	86	83
Veterinarian	57	63
Occupational	265	166
Association	212	190
Commission Officials	71	59
Pari-Mutuel	349	816
Total Licences Issued	16,698	17,326

Wagering Statistics



Expected to generate over \$75 million in wagering annually, the new Greenwood Teletheatre opened in 1997 on the former Greenwood Racetrack site.

David Landry Photo

Recap of Horse Racing in Ontario and Canada in 1997

Including revenue to the Provincial and Federal Government

	No. of Days	Wagering	Provincial Tax	Federal Tax	%
Ontario					
Totals based on breed of race					
Standardbred*	1,134	489,346,651.74	2,446,733.26	3,912,610.37	46.92%
Thoroughbred	278	553,407,902.83	2,767,039.51	4,424,817.24	53.07%
Quarter Horse	20	98,321.00	491.61	786.13	0.01%
Total Ontario	1,432	1,042,852,875.57	5,214,264.38	8,338,213.74	100.00%

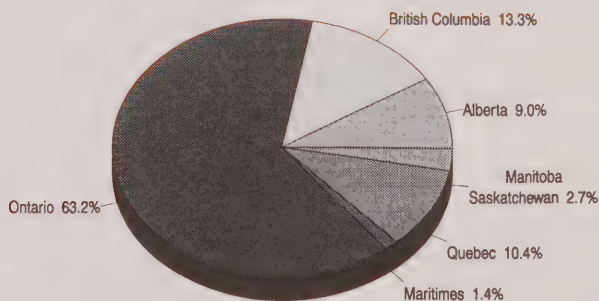
* includes 27 days of Unsupervised Racing

Provincial Detail

Statistics provided by Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency

Ontario	1,440	1,042,874,051.52	5,700,488.14	8,338,213.74	63.23%
British Columbia	277	219,749,996.00	14,813,877.00	1,757,605.49	13.32%
Quebec	457	170,638,010.00	12,413,545.49	1,362,313.14	10.35%
Alberta	338	147,755,765.00	7,029,184.54	1,181,525.73	8.96%
Manitoba	117	29,613,801.00	2,403,039.89	236,541.35	1.80%
Nova Scotia	103	9,367,433.00	994,764.49	74,846.34	0.57%
New Brunswick	69	6,829,857.00	686,917.07	54,556.75	0.41%
Prince Edward Island	91	5,933,381.00	785,161.04	47,397.29	0.36%
Saskatchewan	100	15,663,103.00	1,337,195.19	124,924.04	0.95%
Newfoundland	15	859,182.00	76,776.51	6,862.79	0.05%
Total	3,007	1,649,284,579.52	46,240,949.36	13,184,786.66	100.00%

Ontario's Share of the Canadian Wagering Dollar



Revenue Produced: Purses and Tax Dollars

Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Gross Prov Tax	Net Prov Tax*	Fed Tax	Tax Dollars Produced		Purse Distribution
						Provincial	Federal	
Progress in Thoroughbred Racing								
1986	282	365,528,513	†7	5	0.8	26,850,776	2,924,389	31,879,981
1987	278	413,565,078	†7	5	0.8	30,347,090	3,308,521	35,287,923
1988	287	452,114,414	†7	5	0.8	33,155,471	3,616,915	43,613,731
1989	288	495,407,190	†7	5	0.8	36,239,126	3,963,258	45,393,965
1990	292	535,324,696	†7	5	0.8	39,161,047	4,282,598	45,267,891
1991	293	523,630,971	†7	5	0.8	38,291,814	4,189,047	47,905,579
1992	293	521,513,857	†7	5	0.8	38,177,239	4,172,111	51,692,667
1993	294	567,019,864	†7	5	0.8	42,216,151	4,536,159	47,176,882
1994	279	578,367,530	†7	5	0.8	43,488,071	4,671,571	39,484,249
1995	291	638,490,418	†7	5	0.8	47,421,004	5,077,793	47,848,765
1996	295	569,659,968	†7 to 0.5	5 to 0.5	0.8	44,831,638	5,282,436	47,496,127
1997	278	553,407,902	0.5	0.5	0.8	2,767,039	4,424,817	42,325,856
Progress in Quarter Horse Racing								
1986	12	139,651	†7	5	0.8	9,776	1,115	128,546
1987	13	118,110	†7	5	0.8	8,268	945	143,933
1988	16	141,124	†7	5	0.8	9,879	1,129	149,548
1989	20	244,565	†7	5	0.8	17,119	1,957	184,220
1990	21	334,927	†7	5	0.8	23,445	2,679	247,264
1991	21	258,061	†7	5	0.8	18,064	2,064	228,182
1992	18	186,106	†7	5	0.8	13,027	1,488	126,997
1993	17	139,387	†7	5	0.8	9,757	1,115	97,775
1994	19	151,149	†7	5	0.8	10,652	1,209	73,734
1995	20	128,836	†7	5	0.8	9,113	1,030	204,895
1996	21	110,278	†7 to 0.5	5 to 0.5	0.8	7,352	882	209,072
1997	20	98,321	0.5	0.5	0.8	491	786	164,832
Progress in Standardbred Racing								
1986	1625	524,243,023	†7	5	0.8	39,260,613	4,193,437	53,690,705
1987	1551	560,118,892	†7	5	0.8	42,070,986	4,480,951	58,234,266
1988	1643	607,601,166	†7	5	0.8	45,475,891	4,860,809	65,135,136
1989	1628	627,249,647	†7	5	0.8	46,854,374	5,010,190	68,430,917
1990	1585	616,089,970	†7	5	0.8	46,101,128	4,928,719	68,804,411
1991	1498	560,950,032	†7	5	0.8	42,076,205	4,487,600	60,714,864
1992	1486	548,569,954	†7	5	0.8	41,403,406	4,388,559	65,425,855
1993	1333	463,929,955	†7	5	0.8	34,541,451	3,711,440	61,693,065
1994	1298	488,252,954	†7	5	0.8	36,922,508	3,963,716	63,951,896
1995	1,208	540,542,758	†7	5	0.8	45,220,663	4,698,798	78,325,497
1996	1,215	501,662,083	†7 to .5	5 to 0.5	0.8	41,910,793	5,343,692	78,676,848
1997	1,134	489,346,651	0.5	0.5	0.8	2,446,733	3,912,610	77,707,000

† 9% tax on triactor wagering

* Not including Improvement Program funding

1996: The Race Tracks Tax was reduced from 7% (9% on triactors) to 0.5% effective September 30, 1996.

Note: Wagering statistics only include betting transactions in the Province of Ontario.

Betting transactions made in other jurisdictions on Ontario product are not included in these figures.



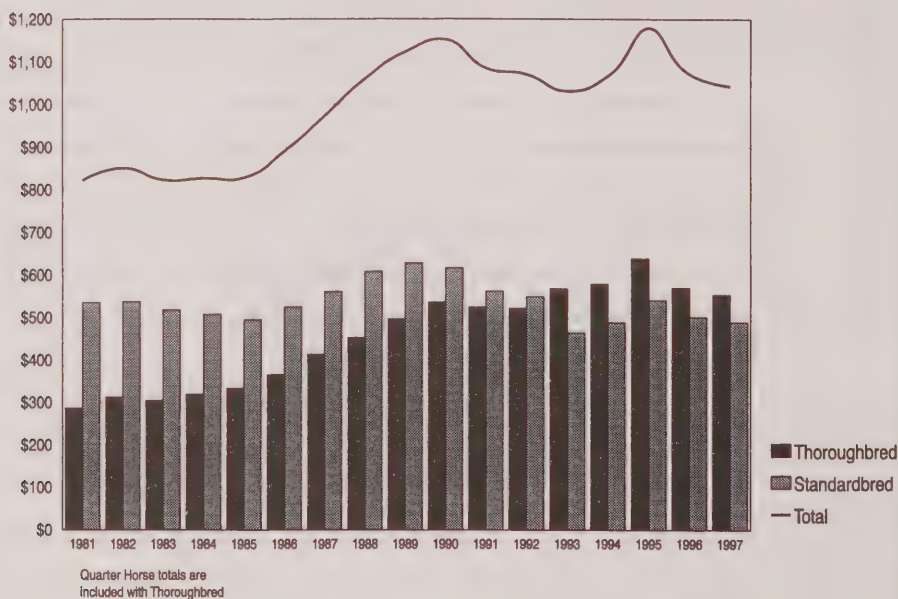
Wagering Trends in Ontario

Based on wagering conducted within the province and by breed

Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered
1981	1,621	534,950,803	237	286,498,285	7	159,977	1,865	821,609,065
1982	1,657	537,622,939	238	312,886,211	7	118,298	1,902	850,627,448
1983	1,672	517,786,938	241	304,864,472	7	103,196	1,920	822,754,606
1984	1,633	507,096,175	245	319,343,712	7	82,426	1,885	826,522,313
1985	1,549	494,314,388	264	333,683,591	7	84,692	1,820	828,082,671
1986	1,625	524,243,023	282	365,528,513	12	139,651	1,919	889,911,187
1987	1,551	560,118,892	278	413,565,078	13	118,110	1,842	973,802,080
1988	1,643	607,601,166	287	452,114,414	16	141,124	1,946	1,059,856,704
1989	1,628	627,249,647	288	495,407,190	20	244,565	1,936	1,122,901,402
1990	1,585	616,089,970	292	535,324,696	21	334,927	1,898	1,151,749,593
1991	1,498	560,950,032	293	523,630,971	21	258,061	1,812	1,084,839,064
1992	1,486	548,569,954	293	521,513,857	18	186,106	1,797	1,070,269,917
1993	1,333	463,929,955	294	567,019,864	17	139,387	1,644	1,031,089,206
1994	1,298	488,252,954	279	578,367,530	19	151,149	1,596	1,066,771,633
1995	1,208	540,542,758	291	638,490,418	20	128,836	1,519	1,179,162,012
1996	1,215	501,662,083	295	569,659,968	21	110,278	1,531	1,071,432,329
1997	1,134	489,346,651	278	553,407,902	20	98,321	1,432	1,042,852,875

Note:

These figures include all wagering conducted in Ontario on both local and foreign product. These numbers do not include any amounts for wagers placed on Ontario product in other jurisdictions (ie. New Jersey wagering on Woodbine Thoroughbred).



Comparison of 1996 and 1997

Tracks	No. of Days			Actual on Site (bet at Ontario tracks)		
	1997	1996	%+-	1997	1996	%+-
Thoroughbred						
Woodbine	178	194	-8.2%	380,465,698.95	399,673,166.55	-4.8%
Fort Erie	100	101	-1.0%	46,365,083.75	61,187,319.07	-24.2%
Total Thoroughbred	278	295	-5.8%	426,830,782.70	460,860,485.62	-7.4%

Quarter Horse

(Picov Downs)

Total Quarter Horse	20	21	-4.8%	333,576.00	350,115.00	-4.7%
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Standardbred

Woodbine	150	141	6.4%	245,531,286.88	191,405,264.50	28.3%
Mohawk	110	118	-6.8%	87,402,376.00	100,195,907.00	-12.8%
OJC	260	259	0.4%	332,933,662.88	291,601,171.50	14.2%
Windsor	149	178	-16.3%	54,471,383.44	73,161,629.34	-25.5%
Flamboro Downs	212	250	-15.2%	63,804,362.00	79,778,423.00	-20.0%
Rideau Carleton	77	69	11.6%	31,161,307.00	36,814,818.00	-15.4%
Western Fair	89	95	-6.3%	28,446,412.68	27,928,600.57	1.9%
Hiawatha	48	47	2.1%	9,587,466.22	10,501,127.46	-8.7%
Barrie	54	50	8.0%	14,730,655.40	15,356,958.00	-4.1%
Kawartha Downs	31	47	-34.0%	9,037,067.28	10,255,307.00	-11.9%
Elmira	50	50	0.0%	33,250,727.00	28,440,279.54	16.9%
Sudbury Downs	50	50	0.0%	19,747,933.00	17,316,573.00	14.0%
Dresden	14	20	-30.0%	4,632,270.97	4,116,268.00	12.5%
Woodstock	15	15	0.0%	4,395,529.00	3,640,535.79	20.7%
Belleville	25	27	-7.4%	2,650,892.00	3,547,240.00	-25.3%
Hanover	21	21	0.0%	3,996,588.00	4,601,900.46	-13.2%
Clinton	12	12	0.0%	2,506,667.00	2,859,344.30	-12.3%
Total Supervised	1,107	1,190	-7.1%	615,352,923.87	609,920,175.96	0.9%
Unsupervised	27	25	8.0%	335,593.00	301,553.00	11.3%
Total Standardbred	1,134	1,215	-6.7%	615,688,516.87	610,221,728.96	0.9%
Grand Total	1,432	1,531	-6.5%	1,042,852,875.57	1,071,432,329.58	-2.7%

Notes

All numbers are based on wagering data provided to the Canadian Trotting Association by the Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency

Definition: Actual On-Site

1. Money bet by an Ontario bettor at an Ontario track or outlet.
2. Dollars bet at a site are attributed to that racetrack regardless of breed.

1996

Barrie Raceway dropped its winter dates.

Rideau Carleton cancelled race dates in the spring and fall, moving to a more compressed season from May to mid-September.

Michigan State passed legislation allowing simulcast wagering which in turn affected Windsor Raceway. Windsor set up its own pools on foreign simulcasting.

1997

Kawartha Downs experienced a contract dispute during the first two months of their racing schedule.

Dresden Raceway was purchased by Winrac Development Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Windsor Raceway Inc.

Fort Erie Race Track was sold by The Ontario Jockey Club to Nordic Gaming Corporation.

Attendance

Most Ontario racetracks are no longer charging admission and are no longer tracking attendance on a consistent basis. As a result this data is no longer available.

Analysis of 1997 Wagering Statistics

Breakdown of wagering by source of bet and by breed

Tracks	Live	% of total	Simulcasting on track	% of total	Off Track	% of total	Tele. Acc. Betting	% of total	Total Wagering	Thoroughbred	Standardbred
Thoroughbred											
Woodbine	88,674,769.04	23.3%	45,103,239.47	11.9%	241,711,457.44	63.5%	4,976,233.00	1.3%	380,465,698.95	380,465,698.95	
Fort Erie	18,338,554.57	39.6%	12,353,427.18	26.6%	15,673,102.00	33.8%			46,365,083.75	45,659,600.51	705,483.24
Total TB	107,013,323.61	25.1%	57,456,666.65	13.5%	257,384,559.44	60.3%	4,976,233.00	1.2%	426,830,782.70	426,125,299.46	705,483.24
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)											
Total QH	98,321.00	29.5%	235,255.00	70.5%					333,576.00	333,576.00	
Standardbred											
Woodbine	41,040,916.00	16.7%	76,534,788.00	31.2%	124,650,263.88	50.8%	3,305,319.00	0.5%	245,531,286.88	40,377,272.00	205,154,014.88
Mohawk	16,269,203.00	18.6%	3,089,630.00	3.5%	68,046,543.00	77.9%			87,402,376.00		87,402,376.00
OJC	57,310,119.00	17.2%	79,621,418.00	23.9%	192,696,806.88	57.9%	3,305,319.00	0.5%	332,933,662.88	40,377,272.00	292,556,390.88
Windsor	22,494,183.60	41.3%	29,910,045.42	54.9%	2,067,154.42	3.8%			54,471,383.44	14,743,620.29	39,727,763.15
Flamboro Downs	8,897,686.00	13.9%	6,940,852.00	10.9%	47,965,824.00	75.2%			63,804,362.00	23,570,492.00	40,233,870.00
Rideau Carleton	2,917,342.00	9.4%	9,490,848.00	30.5%	18,753,117.00	60.2%			31,161,307.00	7,967,641.00	23,193,666.00
Western Fair	3915100.00	13.8%	22,675,610.68	79.7%	1,855,702.00	6.5%			28,446,412.68	7,465,488.00	20,980,924.68
Hiawatha	2,095,941.64	21.9%	7,142,819.73	74.5%	348,704.85	3.6%			9,587,466.22	2,314,519.88	7,272,946.34
Barrie	2,571,967.00	17.5%	6,902,660.00	46.9%	5,256,028.40	35.7%			14,730,655.40	4,843,046.00	9,887,609.40
Kawartha Downs	933,838.00	10.3%	392,648.00	4.3%	7,710,581.28	85.3%			9,037,067.28	3,371,351.56	5,665,715.72
Elmira	1,532,916.00	4.6%	8,059,817.00	24.2%	23,657,994.00	71.2%			33,250,727.00	12,195,455.00	21,055,272.00
Sudbury Downs	364,690.00	1.8%	171,226.00	0.9%	19,212,017.00	97.3%			19,747,933.00	7,548,068.00	12,199,865.00
Dresden	560,840.00	12.1%	791,914.00	17.1%	3,279,516.97	70.8%			4,632,270.97	377,656.64	4,254,614.33
Woodstock	438,660.00	10.0%	263,282.00	6.0%	3,693,587.00	84.0%			4,395,529.00	548,848.00	3,846,681.00
Belleville	370,366.00	14.0%	591,188.00	22.3%	1,689,338.00	63.7%			2,650,892.00	747,637.00	1,903,255.00
Hanover	617,995.00	15.5%	303,072.00	7.6%	3,075,521.00	77.0%			3,996,588.00	625,679.00	3,370,909.00
Clinton	432,541.00	17.3%	69,201.00	2.8%	2,004,925.00	80.0%			2,506,667.00	350,574.00	2,156,093.00
Total Supervised	105,454,185.24	17.1%	173,326,601.83	28.2%	333,266,817.80	54.2%	3,305,319.00	0.5%	615,352,923.87	127,047,348.37	488,305,575.50
Unsupervised	335,593.00	100%							335,593.00		335,593.00
Total SB	105,789,778.24	17.2%	173,326,601.83	28.2%	333,266,817.80	54.2%	3,305,319.00	0.5%	615,688,516.87	127,047,348.37	488,641,168.50
Grand Total	212,901,422.85	20.4%	231,018,523.48	22.2%	590,651,377.24	56.6%	8,281,552.00	0.8%	1,042,852,875.57	553,506,223.83	489,346,651.74

Breakdown of wagering by Ontario product and Foreign product

Ontario						Foreign					
Thoroughbred	% of TB total	Standardbred	% of SB total	Total Ontario	% of total	Thoroughbred	% of TB total	Standardbred	% of SB total	Total Foreign	% of TB total
190,465,952.00	50.1%			190,465,952.00	50.1%	189,999,746.95	49.9%			189,999,746.95	49.9%
42,533,741.69	93.2%	679,439.07	96.3%	43,213,180.76	93.2%	3,125,858.82	6.8%	26,044.17	3.7%	3,151,902.99	6.8%
232,999,693.69	54.7%	679,439.07	96.3%	233,679,132.76	54.7%	193,125,605.77	45.3%		3.7%	193,151,649.94	45.3%
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333,576.00	100.0%			333,576.00	100.0%						
		159,981,644.76	78.0%	159,981,644.76	65.2%	40,377,272.00	100.0%	45,172,370.12	22.0%	85,549,642.12	34.8%
		64,756,498.00	74.1%	64,756,498.00	74.1%			22,645,878.00	25.9%	22,645,878.00	25.9%
		224,738,142.76	76.8%	224,738,142.76	67.5%	40,377,272.00	100.0%	67,818,248.12	23.2%	108,195,520.12	32.5%
3,698,855.75	25.1%	33,524,585.38	84.4%	37,223,441.13	68.3%	11,044,764.54	74.9%	6,203,177.77	15.6%	17,247,942.31	31.7%
14,634,382.00	62.1%	33,233,648.00	82.6%	47,868,030.00	75.0%	8,936,110.00	37.9%	7,000,222.00	17.4%	15,936,332.00	25.0%
2,993,340.00	37.6%	16,941,368.00	73.0%	19,934,708.00	64.0%	4,974,301.00	62.4%	6,252,298.00	27.0%	11,226,599.00	36.0%
2,422,990.78	32.5%	17,807,703.00	84.9%	20,230,693.78	71.1%	5,042,497.22	67.5%	3,173,221.68	15.1%	8,215,718.90	28.9%
793,367.63	34.3%	6,317,516.95	86.9%	7,110,884.58	74.2%	1,521,152.25	65.7%	955,429.39	13.1%	2,476,581.64	25.8%
2,893,370.40	59.7%	8,832,316.00	89.3%	11,725,686.40	79.6%	1,949,675.60	40.3%	1,055,293.40	10.7%	3,004,969.00	20.4%
1,538,637.04	45.6%	5,032,659.24	88.8%	6,571,296.28	72.7%	1,832,714.52	54.4%	633,056.48	11.2%	2,465,771.00	27.3%
4,696,520.00	38.5%	17,022,554.00	80.8%	2,171,9074.00	65.3%	7,498,935.00	61.5%	4,032,718.00	19.2%	11,531,653.00	34.7%
3,996,826.00	53.0%	8,860,257.00	72.6%	12,857,083.00	65.1%	3,551,242.00	47.0%	3,339,608.00	27.4%	6,890,850.00	34.9%
329,676.64	87.3%	3,668,717.91	86.2%	3,998,394.55	86.3%	47,980.00	12.7%	585,896.42	13.8%	633,876.42	13.7%
418,762.00	76.3%	3,411,247.00	88.7%	3,830,009.00	87.1%	130,086.00	23.7%	435,434.00	11.3%	565,520.00	12.9%
593,033.00	79.3%	1,631,904.00	85.7%	2,224,937.00	83.9%	154,604.00	20.7%	271,351.00	14.3%	425,955.00	16.1%
467,237.00	74.7%	2,904,744.00	86.2%	3,371,981.00	84.4%	158,442.00	25.3%	466,165.00	13.8%	624,607.00	15.6%
236,842.00	67.6%	1,852,530.00	85.9%	2,089,372.00	83.4%	113,732.00	32.4%	303,563.00	14.1%	417,295.00	16.6%
39,713,840.24	31.3%	385,779,893.24	79.0%	425,493,733.48	69.1%	87,333,508.13	68.7%	102,525,682.26	21.0%	189,859,190.39	30.9%
		335,593.00	100.0%	335,593.00	100.0%						
39,713,840.24	31.3%	386,115,486.24	79.0%	425,829,326.48	69.2%	87,333,508.13	68.7%	102,525,682.26	21.0%	189,859,190.39	30.8%
273,047,109.93	49.3%	386,794,925.31	79.0%	659,842,035.24	63.3%	280,459,113.90	50.7%	102,551,726.43	21.0%	383,010,840.33	36.7%

Intertrack Wagering

Track	1997			1996			1997			1996		
Thoroughbred												
Woodbine	45,103,239.47	65,716,636.92	-31.4%							45103,239.47	65,716,636.92	-31.4%
Fort Erie	11,647,943.94	15,210,839.93	-23.4%			705,483.24	747,257.00	-5.6%		12353,427.18	15,958,096.93	-22.6%
Total TB	56,751,183.41	80,927,476.85	-29.9%			705,483.24	747,257.00	-5.6%		57456,666.65	81,674,733.85	-29.7%
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)												
Total QH	235,255.00	254,231.00	-7.5%							235,255.00	254,231.00	-7.5%
Standardbred												
Woodbine	40,377,272.00	10,909,273.50	270.1%			36,157,516.00	30,492,243.00	18.6%		76,534,788.00	41,401,516.50	84.9%
Mohawk		263,307.00				3,086,630.00	3,186,295.00	-3.1%		3,086,630.00	3,449,602.00	-10.5%
Windsor	14,743,620.29	23,629,284.34	-37.6%			15,166,425.13	16,952,652.00	-10.5%		29,910,045.42	40,581,936.34	-26.3%
Flamboro	3,116,583.00	2,664,160.00	17.0%			3,824,269.00	3,699,020.00	3.4%		6,940,852.00	6,363,180.00	9.1%
Rideau Carleton	3,107,095.00	3,790,513.00	-18.0%			6,383,753.00	7,200,414.00	-11.3%		9,490,848.00	10,990,927.00	-13.6%
Western Fair	7,395,203.00	6,846,550.00	8.0%			15,280,407.68	15,009,231.00	1.8%		22,675,610.68	21,855,781.00	3.8%
Hiawatha	2,314,519.88	2,191,979.12	5.6%			4,828,299.85	4,768,021.00	1.3%		7,142,819.73	6,960,000.12	2.6%
Barrie	2,569,026.00	2,316,090.00	10.9%			4,333,634.00	3,502,649.00	23.7%		6,902,660.00	5,818,739.00	18.6%
Kawartha	2,698.00	55,791.00	-95.2%			389,950.00	606,744.00	-35.7%		392,648.00	662,535.00	-40.7%
Elmira	3,166,621.00	3,363,870.00	-5.9%			4,893,196.00	4,912,537.00	-0.4%		8,059,817.00	8,276,407.00	-2.6%
Sudbury	34,924.00	116,777.00	-70.1%			136,302.00	58,482.00	133.1%		171,226.00	175,259.00	-2.3%
Dresden	63,000.00					728,914.00	1,072,388.00	-32.0%		791,914.00	1,072,388.00	-26.2%
Woodstock						263,282.00	672,560.00	-60.9%		263,282.00	672,560.00	-60.9%
Belleville	217,082.00	156,443.00	38.8%			374,106.00	357,759.00	4.6%		591,188.00	514,202.00	15.0%
Hanover	34,535.00	14,414.00	139.6%			268,537.00	319,110.00	-15.8%		303,072.00		-9.1%
Clinton	69,201.00	78,590.00	-11.9%				9,140.00	-100.0%		69,201.00	87,730.00	-21.1%
Total	77,211,380.17	56,397,041.96	36.9%			96,115,221.66	92,819,245.00	3.6%		173,326,601.83	149,126,286.96	16.2%
Grand Total	134,197,818.58	137,578,749.81	-2.5%			96,820,704.90	93,566,502.00	3.5%		231,018,523.48	231,145,251.81	-0.1%

Teletheatres

Racetrack	Thoroughbred			Standardbred			Total		
	1997	1996	% +/-	1997	1996	% +/-	1997	1996	% +/-
Barrie	874,667	1,045,386	-16.3%	1,615,183	1,335,792	20.9%	2,489,850	2,381,178	4.6%
Belleville	530,555	882,005	-39.8%	1,158,783	1,746,567	-33.7%	1,689,338	2,628,572	-35.7%
Flamboro Downs	20,453,909	25,586,972	-20.1%	27,511,915	37,729,104	-27.1%	47,965,824	63,316,076	-24.2%
Kawartha Downs	3,037,893	2,361,513	28.6%	3,965,883	5,489,919	-27.8%	7,003,776	7,851,432	-12.0%
The Ontario Jockey Club	245,435,041	246,112,210	-0.3%	180,283,459	176,288,000	2.3%	425,718,500	422,400,210	0.8%
OJC/Picov Hub	13,658,421	13,345,244	2.3%	13,737,055	13,890,306	-1.1%	27,395,476	27,235,550	0.6%
Ontario Teletheatre Network	10,828,563	9,731,710	11.3%	25,767,641	22,655,278	13.7%	36,596,204	32,986,988	13.0%
Western Fair	14,797	36,206	-59.1%	1,391,324	2,080,931	-33.1%	1,406,121	2,117,137	-33.6%
Hiawatha		9,827		270,456	707,723	-61.8%	270,456	717,550	-62.3%
Windsor	12,991			2,137,705	71,862		2,150,696	71,862	
Rideau Carleton	4,860,546	6,236,239	-22.1%	13,892,571	15,740,585	-11.7%	18,753,117	21,976,824	-14.7%
Sudbury	7,513,144	5,688,405	32.1%	11,698,873	11,089,463	5.5%	19,212,017	16,777,868	14.5%
Total	307,220,527	311,035,717	-1.2%	283,430,849	288,825,530	-1.9%	590,651,377	599,861,247	-1.6%

** Adjustments for shared markets not included in these figures

Racing Statistics



Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh attended the 138th running of the Queen's Plate which was won by Awesome Again. David Landry Photo

Commission Activity – Thoroughbred

The Stewards issued 504 rulings against licensed personnel for various infractions involving owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders in 1997.

Inquiries by the Stewards

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1973	39	24	15
1974	51	21	30
1975	41	15	26
1976	45	18	27
1977	26	5	21
1978	28	14	14
1979	59	29	30
1980	65	26	39
1981	92	48	44
1982	81	49	32
1983	109	67	42
1984	76	54	22
1985	63	51	12
1986	70	43	27
1987	62	42	20
1988	68	57	11
1989	79	64	15
1990	66	53	13
1991	78	66	12
1992	84	69	15
1993	71	52	19
1994	67	58	9
1995	49	31	18
1996	56	47	9
1997	55	43	12

Claims of Foul

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1973	78	28	50
1974	83	26	57
1975	86	29	57
1976	61	21	40
1977	93	24	69
1978	91	37	54
1979	97	32	65
1980	111	40	71
1981	131	40	91
1982	87	30	57
1983	93	27	66
1984	90	27	63
1985	90	32	58
1986	92	28	64
1987	89	27	62
1988	118	29	89
1989	117	18	99
1990	140	34	106
1991	131	42	89
1992	133	42	91
1993	144	40	104
1994	116	33	83
1995	103	23	80
1996	79	21	58
1997	76	15	61

Scratches

	1995	1996	1997
By Commission			
Veterinarians	468	446	428
By Stewards	248	358	354
As part of entries	54	48	64
Out of stakes	52	36	35
Total	882	888	881

Trainers' Examinations

	1995	1996	1997
Number of examinations written	36	67	47
Number of examinations passed	16	40	24
Number of examinations failed	20	27	23

Urine and Blood Tests

	1994	1995	1996	1997
Number ordered by the stewards (inc. extras)	6,390	6,985	7,138	6,682
Number taken	6,520	6,966	7,110	9,996
Number abandoned	19	19	28	13

Claims – Standardbred

						\$Value	Average \$ Value
	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1997	1997
Barrie	84	74	64	35	55	223,625	4,065
Belleville	2	9	14	14	5	16,750	3,350
Clinton	4	8	11	16	4	9,000	2,250
Dresden	23	29	24	12	5	12,500	2,500
Elmira	26	45	32	46	69	276,625	4,009
Flamboro Downs	105	235	131	276	312	1,893,320	6,068
Hanover	9	11	14	14	9	24,750	2,750
Hiawatha	51	24	47	23	33	91,875	2,784
Kawartha Downs	20	16	25	9	5	27,750	5,550
Kingston Park	19	2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mohawk	166	257	274	338	268	6,155,750	22,969
Orangeville	18	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Rideau Carleton	74	66	88	130	101	402,000	3,980
Sudbury	13	18	17	36	49	168,625	3,441
Western Fair	83	76	55	94	69	242,500	3,514
Windsor	132	158	363	359	235	1,710,650	7,279
Woodbine (Greenwood)	238	275	409	488	478	10,738,250	22,464
Woodstock	10	5	20	18	17	46,250	2,720
Total	1,077	1,308	1,588	1,908	1,714	22,040,220	12,858

Claims and Tattooing – Thoroughbred

Tattooing

Year	Number of Horses Tat- tooned
1983	1,044
1984	1,056
1985	1,090
1986	1,310
1987	1,300
1988	1,419
1989	1,461
1990	1,327
1991	1,349
1992	1,292
1993	1,162
1994	988
1995	1,013
1996	1,034
1997	1,011

Claims

Year	No.	Average Value
1983	689	\$10,316
1984	676	\$10,257
1985	696	\$10,379
1986	861	\$9,918
1987	913	\$11,234
1988	815	\$12,811
1989	1,050	\$9,878
1990	639	\$12,992
1991	544	\$13,320
1992	863	\$12,926
1993	821	\$12,554
1994	813	\$12,271
1995	932	\$12,438
1996	934	\$11,691
1997	823	\$11,925

Positive Tests

	Standardbred					Thoroughbred				
	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Ambroxol					1					
Atropine					1					
Bumetanide			1							
Bupivacaine							1			
Caffeine		6	1	3	7					
Cathinone			2							
Clenbuterol	3					2				
Clidinium				1						
Cocaine		2	3							
Cotinine			1							
Cromoglycate	7	5	5	1	2					
Cyproheptadine				1						
Delomidine	2									
Diazepam		1								
Diclofenac			1		1					
Dexamethasone	1									
Dimethylsulfoxide		1		2	1					
Ephedrine		8		3	2					2
Ethacrynic Acid		2								
Flunixin	2		1							
Furosemide	6	4	8	12	2	4		1		
Glycopyrrolate					1	1				1
Guaifenesin	2	5			1			1		1
Hydrochlorothiazide		1								
Indomethacin			1							
Ketoprofen		6	1							
Ketorolac				1						
Lidocaine		1								
Meclofenamic Acid		1	1							
Methamphetamine	3									
Methocarbamol	5	1	1	1	2			2		2
Methylphenidate								1		
Morphine		2								
Nimesulide				5	3					
Pentoxifylline				1						
Phenylbutazone	2	5	5	5	2				3	
Phenylpropanolamine	3			1	2	1	1			
Prednisolone	2	1	1	1						
Procaine	5	5	1	6	2	1	3		3	2
Propantheline			22							
Pyrilamine				1						
Salicylic Acid		2	2	3	1				1	
Theobromine			1	1						
Theophylline	3	3		1	1			2		
Tranexamic Acid				1						
Trichlormethiazide		2								
Total Positive Tests	46	64	59	51	32	9	5	7	7	8

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Chief Bearhart

For the second year in a row *Chief Bearhart* was honoured as Canada's Horse of the Year at the 1998 Sovereign Awards. Now retired to stud, "The Chief" finished his career with a record of 12 wins in 25 races, winning more than \$3 million.

Odies Fame

Odies Fame earned Horse of the Year honours in Canada after a spectacular season competing in Ontario Sires Stakes, Trillium Series and winning the Canadian Breeders Championship Final by more than 12 lengths in 1:53.2, taking a full second off her own Canadian record. The two-year-old pacing filly earned \$356,859 with a record 11 wins in 15 starts.

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Chair's Letter to the Minister



**Ontario
Racing
Commission**

The Honourable Robert Runciman
Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations,
Parliament Buildings,
Queen's Park,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Minister:

We are pleased to submit this forty-ninth Annual Statistical Report of the Ontario Racing Commission, covering the operations of the Commission during 1998.

The horse racing industry in Ontario continues to benefit from the decision of the government to reduce the provincial tax on wagering. Racetracks across the province have upgraded their facilities to make the live racing experience more enjoyable. The effect of these improvements are being felt across the board; attendance continues to rise, and wagering and purses levels have increased over the previous year. Horse racing in Ontario is experiencing a renaissance.

After careful planning, the horse racing industry expects to benefit from additional sources of gaming revenue in 1999 which will be used to further enhance live racing. The Commission will carefully monitor the impact of this development to ensure that its goal is achieved.

In 1998, the Commission undertook the planning and development of a number of initiatives designed to improve the service it provides its clients, the Ontario horse racing industry. These measures include the introduction of a single multi-jurisdictional licence application form for owners, continuing education programs for judges and stewards, and new standards for business practices. To reduce the length of proceedings and in some cases, eliminate the need for the hearing itself, the Commission has broadened its use of telephone conference technology. The result has been a reduction in the time and expense experienced by all parties involved in the hearing process.

The Commission continues to seek ways to promote the integrity of horse racing. Measures have been taken to increase its investigative staff and to set higher penalty guidelines for drug offences. Plans have been implemented to establish a method of testing horse for excessive bicarbonate levels at all racetracks. The Commission also distributed a video which promotes the integrity of the industry by explaining the regulatory safeguards. Plans are underway to produce a biannual newsletter which will focus on integrity issues.

Horse racing in Ontario is an important part of the highly competitive entertainment /gaming industry. The Commission is confident that horse racing will continue to thrive and offer the public an exciting and trustworthy product.

Yours faithfully,

Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.
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Highlights Of 1998

■ Mr. Herbert Bryant was appointed to a three year term as Vice-Chair of the Ontario Racing Commission. Born in Montreal, Mr. Bryant began his career in the automotive sales industry, ending with the sale of his business in 1971. Not content to sit back, Mr. Bryant went on to study law at the University of Windsor and was called to the bar in 1977. Until 1993, Mr. Bryant worked in a practice and now currently serves as a Deputy Judge with the Superior Court of Justice (Small Claims Court).

■ Owned by Frank Stronach, *Victory Gallop* made racing history by becoming the first Canadian-bred to win the Belmont, third jewel in the American Triple Crown. *Victory Gallop* accomplished what his sire, *Cryptoclearance*, had tried to do in the 1987 Belmont when he finished second to *Bet Twice*.

■ Windsor Raceway became the first Ontario racetrack to open its slot gaming venue in early December. Negotiations over the year between the horse racing industry and the government to implement this form of gaming at the racetracks concluded to the satisfaction of all concerned. Early returns indicate that the mix of racing and gaming is proving beneficial to both forms of entertainment. As construction is completed, other racetracks are expected to begin their slot operations over the course of the next year.

■ A public awareness campaign aimed at ORC clients and the general public was launched in 1998 with the release of a video entitled *Integrity Matters*. Developed to provide general information about the Commission and the regulatory controls in place safeguarding the sport, the video has been made available to all racetrack, associations and interested persons. The

campaign will continue with the publication of a bi-annual newsletter beginning in 1999.

■ Ending a 31 year career, Canadian legend Sandy Hawley retired in 1998 to begin a second career working for The Ontario Jockey Club as an ambassador for Thoroughbred horse racing. His final ride July 1st in the Dominion Day Handicap capped a record of 31,455 rides and over 6,400 wins.

■ The Northeastern Regional Meetings of the Association of Racing Commissioners International were hosted by the Ontario Racing Commission in Toronto in early October. Implementation of multi-jurisdictional licences, the status of the ARCI database, updates from each jurisdiction, implications of industry developments on the areas of regulation were some of the many topics of discussion.

■ On opening night of the fall meet at Mohawk Raceway, The Ontario Jockey Club proudly unveiled its new 7/8 mile track to widespread acclaim. The new egg shaped oval with its new traprock surface was designed to make the assigned post positions more equitable and to accommodate larger fields. Reaction from the trainers and drivers, and from the general public has been very positive.

■ It is not often that a two-year-old filly wins Horse of the Year honours, but *Odies Fame* is no ordinary filly. Owned by Ontarians Harold Wellwood and Dr. Norman Amos, *Odies Fame* dominated the 2 year-old Ontario Sires Stakes pacing filly ranks, winning 11 of her 15 starts for total money earnings of \$356,859. On top of breaking track and Canadian records across the province, *Odies*

Fame won an OSS Gold Final at Rideau Carleton by more than seven lengths in World Record time of 1:52.3, taking a full second off the previous world mark.

■ 1998 marked the 25th anniversary of the Ontario Sires Stakes program, one of the most successful breed improvement programs of its kind in the world. While it no longer administers the program now that it has been transfer to the industry, the Commission still oversees its development and progress through its management role under the Memorandum of Understanding.



A special OSS night of racing took place on July 25th at Woodbine Racetrack which also highlighted the efforts of the "Founding Fathers" a quarter century ago in bringing this program into being.

The Commission is very proud to have been associated with this program over the years.

■ The Ontario Racing Commission moved to new offices in late April, located in the Atrium Building at 20 Dundas Street West, just north of the Eaton Centre. While the address has changed slightly, the phone and fax numbers remain the same.

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Racing Commission Act

Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990, Chapter R.2

The Ontario Racing Commission was established under the Racing Commission Act by the Ontario Provincial Government in 1950 to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in the province.

1. In this Act,

- (a) Commission means the Ontario Racing Commission;
- (b) Minister means the member of the Executive Council to whom the administration of this Act is assigned by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. ("ministre") R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 1.

2. The body corporate known as the Ontario Racing Commission, established under *The Racing Commission Act*, 1950, being chapter 67, is continued under the name Ontario Racing Commission in English and the name Commission des courses de l'Ontario in French, and shall be composed of not fewer than three and not more than seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 2, *revised*.

3. The objects of the Commission are to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 3.

4. The members of the Commission shall hold office for a term of not more than three years, but any person is eligible for reappointment. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 4.

5. (1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall name one of the members to be the chair and one of the members to be the vice-chair.

(2) When the office of chair is vacant or in the absence of the chair, the vice-chair shall act in his place and stead. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 5.

6. (1) At any meeting of the Commission a majority of the members constitutes a quorum, and a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of the Commission determines any question.

(2) The chair has a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 6.

7. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may fill any vacancy that occurs in the membership of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 7.

8. The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall fix the salaries of the chair, the vice-chair and the other members of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 8.

9. The salaries and expenses of the members of the Commission and of the officers, clerks and other employees thereof, and generally all costs, charges and expenses incurred and payable in respect of the carrying out of this Act, shall be paid out of the monies appropriated therefor by the Legislature. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 10.

10. The Commission has power,
- (a) to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms;
- (b) to govern, control and regulate the operation of race tracks in Ontario at which any form of horse racing is carried on;
- (c) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers, and to require by a summons signed by the chair or by any other member of the Commission any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as the Commission considers requisite in any such hearing;
- (d) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act, by a fine or other penalty or otherwise;
- (e) to make by-laws for the conduct of its business and for the control and direction of its work;
- (f) to license persons to operate race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;
- (g) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, groomers, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespersons and

such other persons in or about racetracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on, and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;

- (h) to fix and collect fees or other charges for licences, prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which they may be issued;
- (i) to refuse to grant any licence or to suspend or revoke any licence for conduct that the Commission considers to be contrary to the public interest;
- (j) to require registration with the Commission of, and to register colours, assumed names, partnerships and contracts and such other matters and things as the Commission considers expedient;
- (k) to fix and collect fees or other charges for registration under clause (j) and to prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which registration may be made;
- (l) to make and promulgate rules for the conduct of horse racing in any of its forms;
- (m) to employ stewards, veterinarians, analysts, secretarial assistants, judges and such other persons as the Commission considers expedient to attend at race meetings on behalf of the Commission;
- (n) to require approval by the Commission of the appointment of race track officials and employees whose duties relate to the actual running of horse races and to compel the discharge for cause of any such official or employee;
- (o) to fix, impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act;
- (p) to require persons licensed to operate race tracks to keep books of account in a manner satisfactory to the Commission, and to inspect such books at any time;
- (q) to do such things relating to horse racing in any or all of its forms, or to the operation of race tracks at which

horse racing is carried on, as are authorized or directed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 11; 1981, c. 33, s. 2.

11. The accounts of the Commission shall be audited by the Provincial Auditor or by such other auditor as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 12.

12. The Commission shall make a report annually to the Minister, containing such information as the Minister may require. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 13.

13. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations with respect to any and all matters or things that are considered necessary for the carrying out of this Act. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 14.

14. (1) Rules for the conduct of horse racing may be promulgated by the Commission under this Act and the Commission may therein delegate to stewards, judges, veterinarians, race track officials, racing association officials, licensing agents or officers of the Commission such of the following powers as the Commission considers expedient,

- (a) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers;
- (b) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act;
- (c) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespeople and such other persons in or about race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on;
- (d) to collect fees or other charges for licenses;
- (e) to impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act.

(2) The Commission may adopt by reference, in whole or in part, with

such changes as the Commission considers necessary, rules and procedures of racing associations or bodies and may delegate to racing associations or bodies the power to,

- (a) enforce the carrying out and observance of the rules and procedures as adopted or amended;
- (b) hold hearings in respect of the contravention of any of the said rules or procedures; and
- (c) impose and collect fines, costs and other penalties for the contravention of any of the rules or procedures, and where a power has been so delegated to a racing association or body, it shall have the right to exercise discretion or judgment in relation to the powers delegated.

(3) Every person, association or body to whom a power to hold hearings has been delegated under subsection (1) or (2), may by summons require any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as may be required for purposes of a hearing.

(4) Subject to subsection (6), any person who considers themselves aggrieved by a decision of a person delegated by the Commission under a rule made under subsection (1) or by a decision resulting from a hearing held pursuant to a delegation under subsection (2), is entitled to a hearing by the Commission and, in the case of a hearing, the Commission may exercise its powers and duties under section 10 as if such powers and duties had not been delegated.

(5) Where the Commission, after holding a hearing, is of the opinion that the request for the hearing was frivolously made, the Commission may order the person requesting the hearing to pay to the Commission a penalty of no more than \$300 in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed.

(6) Where the rules of the Commission, promulgated or adopted, provide for an appeal to an association or body, any person who considers themselves aggrieved shall appeal in

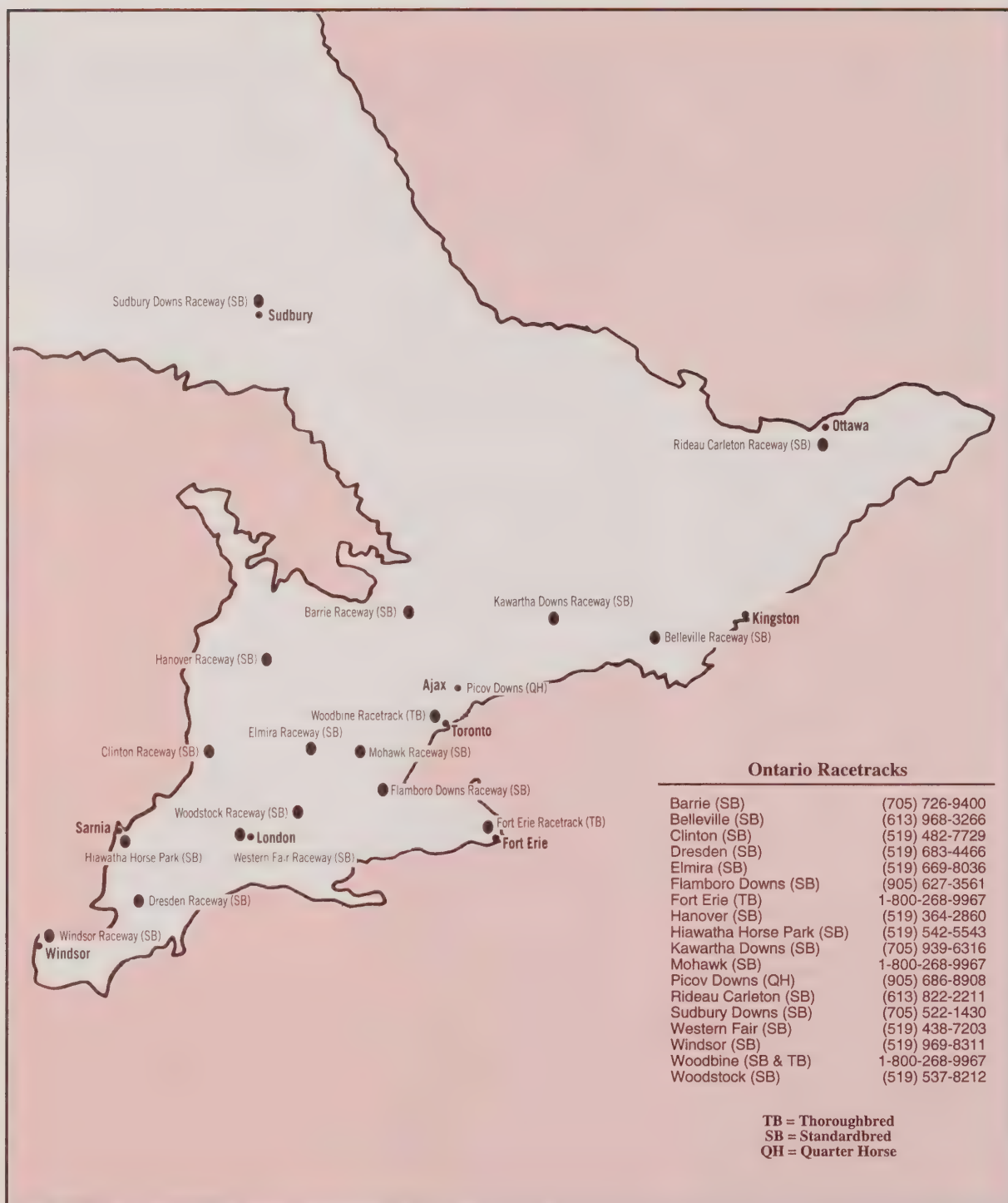
accordance with the rules before applying to the Commission for a hearing under subsection (4).

(7) Any order or rule issued or made by the Commission under this Act shall be deemed to be of an administrative and not of a legislative nature.

(8) One member of the Commission constitutes a quorum for the purposes of a hearing under subsection (4).

(9) The Commission may, on its own motion, review any decision made by a racing association or body pursuant to a power delegated under subsection (2) and may, after affording the parties an opportunity to be heard, confirm the decision reviewed or substitute its own decision in lieu thereof. 1980, c. 429 s. 15.

Ontario Racetracks



Ontario Racing Commission



Horse and driver clear the tunnel at Woodbine.

David Landry Photo

Personnel of the Commission

As at December 31, 1998, the Commission consisted of:

Chair

Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.

Vice-Chair

Herbert Bryant

Members

Patricia Bullock

Diane Carlton

Thomas G. Deacon

Bruce Duncan, D.V.M.

Ernest Nock

Officials of the Commission

Director

J. Major

Deputy Director of Racing

W.T. Stone

Deputy Director of Finance and Administration

G. Fernandes

Commission Counsel

A. Gibson

Supervisor of Thoroughbred Racing

E. Hall

Supervisor of Standardbred Racing

W. Fines

Administrative Officer

R. Roy

Head Office Staff

Communications

W.L. Hoogeveen

Chairman's/Director's Secretary

J. Chang Alloy

Secretary

D. Wright

Receptionist

D. Melo-Cordeiro (backfill)

Administrative Assistant

T. Iwanciw

Purchasing and Licensing Clerks

D. Lefebvre

A. Mason

Licensing and Filing Clerk

B. McKinnon (backfill)

Judges and Stewards

G. Belore

G. Cahill

J. Campbell

P. Cass

A. Caughey

R. Croteau

B. Davies

D. Dew

P. Dyson

C. Fraleigh

L. Geisel

D. Godkin

V. Gould

R. Grubb

T. Guthrie

N. Ham

P. Harrison

P. Hawman

W. Hicks

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W. Lawrence

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J. McLane

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T. Provost

C. Raymond

D. Raymond

J. Thatcher

R. Villeneuve

P. Webb

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R. Arsenault

G. Balwar

J. Brown

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L. Hebbard

V. James

K. Kennelly

G. Lebel

N. Manente

J. McEachern

J. McKenna

L. Moffatt

E. Powell

G. Taylor

M. Taylor

L. Vanasse

T. Weir

A. Wilson

R. Zirnis

Commission Activity

Meetings and Hearings

The seven-member Commission meets on a regular basis to establish policy, to deal with administrative matters and to act as a quasi-judicial tribunal.

Commission Meetings

The Commission held eleven formal meetings during 1998 at which regular business was attended to.

Hearings

In addition to formal meetings, the Commission sat for fifty-six days at which licensees appeared for hearings or appeals.

Thoroughbred

The Commission held thirty-one Thoroughbred hearings; 30 were appeals of rulings pertaining to the Rules of Thoroughbred Racing and one was for hearings related to licensing and other issues. Of the appeals, 16 were dismissed, 4 were dismissed with a varied penalty, eight were allowed, two were allowed in part with varied penalty.

Standardbred

The Commission held eighteen Standardbred hearings; 14 were appeals of rulings pertaining to the Rules of Standardbred Racing and four were hearings related to licensing and other issues. Of the appeals, nine were dismissed, three were dismissed with a varied penalty and two were allowed.

General

In addition to the above, the Commission sat for sixteen days of public hearings. The Commission heard 16 teletheatre applications, all of which were approved, two racedate related applications and 2 other matters.

Racing Industry Appeal Board

This appeal tribunal is appointed by the Ontario Racing Commission upon recommendations from Standardbred Canada and the Ontario Harness Horse Association.

This board hears Standardbred appeals relative to fines of less than \$500.00 and/or suspensions of less than 30 days. The Board sat for seven days at which forty-one licensees appeared to have their appeals dealt with. Fourteen appeals were allowed and twenty-seven appeals were disallowed.

Memberships

Association of Racing Commissioners, International

The Commission continues to hold active membership in the Association of Racing Commissioners International. This organization is comprised of representatives from all racing commissions throughout North America, Mexico and the Caribbean. The organization acts as a clearing house for changes in racing rules and statistical information. The Chair is a member of the Executive Board. Deputy Director of Racing, Terry Stone, serves on both the Thoroughbred and Standardbred Rules Committee.

Racetracks Security Canada

Acting to facilitate the transfer of information between organizations on security matters and the investigation process, this organization is made up of racetrack security personnel as well as Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency and Commission representatives.

American Association of Equine Practitioners

This association is a professional society of more than 4,500 members from the United States, Canada and over 40 other countries. Since its founding in 1944, one of the primary roles of the AAEP has been to act in an advisory capacity to the racing industry on matters affecting the health of the horse.

Rulings

Thoroughbred

During 1998, the Commission issued 31 Commission Thoroughbred rulings. The Stewards issued 487 rulings for various infractions against licensed personnel including owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders.

Standardbred

During 1998, the Commission issued 276 Commission Standardbred rulings. The Judges issued 1,318 rulings for various infractions against licensed personnel including owners, trainers, drivers and grooms.

Summary of Licences Issued

The Ontario Racing Commission licenses any person practicing a profession, trade or occupation or at any licensed Ontario racetrack.

Thoroughbred

Total number of licences issued includes reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licences	No. of Licences
	1998	1997
Owner, New Owner and Owner Renewal	1,908	2,059
Trainer and Trainer Assistant	331	294
Owner/Trainer, New and Renewals	296	263
Jockey	113	107
Jockey Apprentice, Valets, and Jockey Agent	60	63
Tradesmen	171	153
Veterinarian	43	38
Occupational (Other)	1,672	1,716
Pari-Mutuel (started licensing under SB in May 1997)		336
Total Licences Issued	4,594	5,029

Standardbred

Total number of licences issued includes reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licences	No. of Licences
	1998	1997
Owner, New and Renewal	7,341	7,136
Stable/Multiple Ownership	658	535
Trainer	3,068	2,947
Driver	1,497	1,423
Groom	3,332	3,617
Tradesmen	61	86
Veterinarian	56	57
Occupational	141	265
Association	218	212
Commission Officials	70	71
Pari-Mutuel	512	349
Total Licences Issued	16,954	16,698

Wagering Statistics



Extensive renovations to rejuvenate racing operations and prepare for expanded gaming and television initiatives have been ongoing at Woodbine Racetrack in Toronto. David Landry Photo

Recap of Horse Racing in Ontario and Canada in 1998

Including revenue to the Provincial and Federal Government

	No. of Days	Wagering	Provincial Tax	Federal Tax	%
Ontario					
Totals based on breed of race					
Standardbred*	1,216	523,637,389.94	2,618,186.95	4,187,087.93	48.14%
Thoroughbred	246	564,056,502.76	2,820,282.51	4,510,285.59	51.85%
Quarter Horse	19	97,132.00	485.66	776.68	0.01%
Total Ontario	1,481	1,087,791,024.70	5,438,955.12	8,698,150.20	100.00%

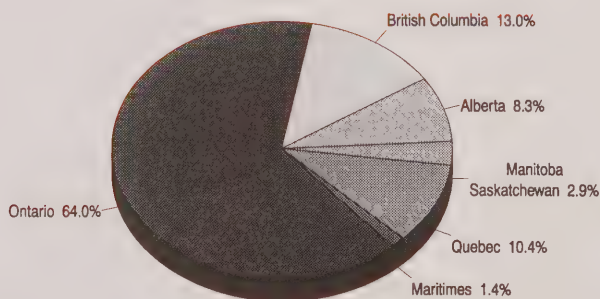
* includes 24 days of Unsupervised Racing

Provincial Detail

Statistics provided by Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency

Ontario	1,482	1,088,077,617.70	8,698,150.20	63.97%
British Columbia	273	221,583,218.00	1,771,824.12	13.03%
Quebec	458	176,601,979.00	1,408,493.85	10.38%
Alberta	338	141,223,427.00	1,129,052.14	8.30%
Manitoba	111	33,004,373.00	263,575.52	1.94%
Saskatchewan	101	16,100,494.00	128,398.69	0.95%
Nova Scotia	126	10,106,352.50	80,751.74	0.59%
New Brunswick	77	6,707,668.00	53,575.57	0.39%
Prince Edward Island	102	6,936,209.00	55,417.39	0.41%
Newfoundland	12	643,809.00	5,142.61	0.04%
Total	3,080	1,700,985,147.20	13,594,381.83	100.00%

Ontario's Share of the Canadian Wagering Dollar



Revenue Produced: Purses and Tax Dollars

Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Gross Prov Tax	Net Prov Tax*	Fed Tax	Tax Dollars Produced		Purse Distribution
						Provincial	Federal	
Progress in Thoroughbred Racing								
1986	282	365,528,513	†7	5	0.8	26,850,776	2,924,389	31,879,981
1987	278	413,565,078	†7	5	0.8	30,347,090	3,308,521	35,287,923
1988	287	452,114,414	†7	5	0.8	33,155,471	3,616,915	43,613,731
1989	288	495,407,190	†7	5	0.8	36,239,126	3,963,258	45,393,965
1990	292	535,324,696	†7	5	0.8	39,161,047	4,282,598	45,267,891
1991	293	523,630,971	†7	5	0.8	38,291,814	4,189,047	47,905,579
1992	293	521,513,857	†7	5	0.8	38,177,239	4,172,111	51,692,667
1993	294	567,019,864	†7	5	0.8	42,216,151	4,536,159	47,176,882
1994	279	578,367,530	†7	5	0.8	43,488,071	4,671,571	39,484,249
1995	291	638,490,418	†7	5	0.8	47,421,004	5,077,793	47,848,765
1996	295	569,659,968	†7 to 0.5	5 to 0.5	0.8	44,831,638	5,282,436	47,496,127
1997	278	553,407,902	0.5	0.5	0.8	2,767,039	4,424,817	42,325,856
1998	246	564,056,502	0.5	0.5	0.8	2,820,282	4,510,285	44,914,580
Progress in Quarter Horse Racing								
1986	12	139,651	†7	5	0.8	9,776	1,115	128,546
1987	13	118,110	†7	5	0.8	8,268	945	143,933
1988	16	141,124	†7	5	0.8	9,879	1,129	149,548
1989	20	244,565	†7	5	0.8	17,119	1,957	184,220
1990	21	334,927	†7	5	0.8	23,445	2,679	247,264
1991	21	258,061	†7	5	0.8	18,064	2,064	228,182
1992	18	186,106	†7	5	0.8	13,027	1,488	126,997
1993	17	139,387	†7	5	0.8	9,757	1,115	97,775
1994	19	151,149	†7	5	0.8	10,652	1,209	73,734
1995	20	128,836	†7	5	0.8	9,113	1,030	204,895
1996	21	110,278	†7	5	0.8	7,352	882	209,072
1995	20	98,321	†7	5	0.8	491	786	164,832
1997	19	97,132	0.5	0.5	0.8	485	776	161,818
Progress in Standardbred Racing								
1986	1625	524,243,023	†7	5	0.8	39,260,613	4,193,437	53,690,705
1987	1551	560,118,892	†7	5	0.8	42,070,986	4,480,951	58,234,266
1988	1643	607,601,166	†7	5	0.8	45,475,891	4,860,809	65,135,136
1989	1628	627,249,647	†7	5	0.8	46,854,374	5,010,190	68,430,917
1990	1585	616,089,970	†7	5	0.8	46,101,128	4,928,719	68,804,411
1991	1498	560,950,032	†7	5	0.8	42,076,205	4,487,600	60,714,864
1992	1486	548,569,954	†7	5	0.8	41,403,406	4,388,559	65,425,855
1993	1333	463,929,955	†7	5	0.8	34,541,451	3,711,440	61,693,065
1994	1298	488,252,954	†7	5	0.8	36,922,508	3,963,716	63,951,896
1995	1,208	540,542,758	†7	5	0.8	45,220,663	4,698,798	78,325,497
1996	1,215	501,662,083	†7 to .5	5 to 0.5	0.8	41,910,793	5,343,692	78,676,848
1997	1,134	489,346,651	0.5	0.5	0.8	2,446,733	3,912,610	77,707,000
1998	1,216	523,637,389	0.5	0.5	0.8	2,618,186	4,187,087	81,193,564

† 9% tax on tractor wagering

* Not including Improvement Program funding

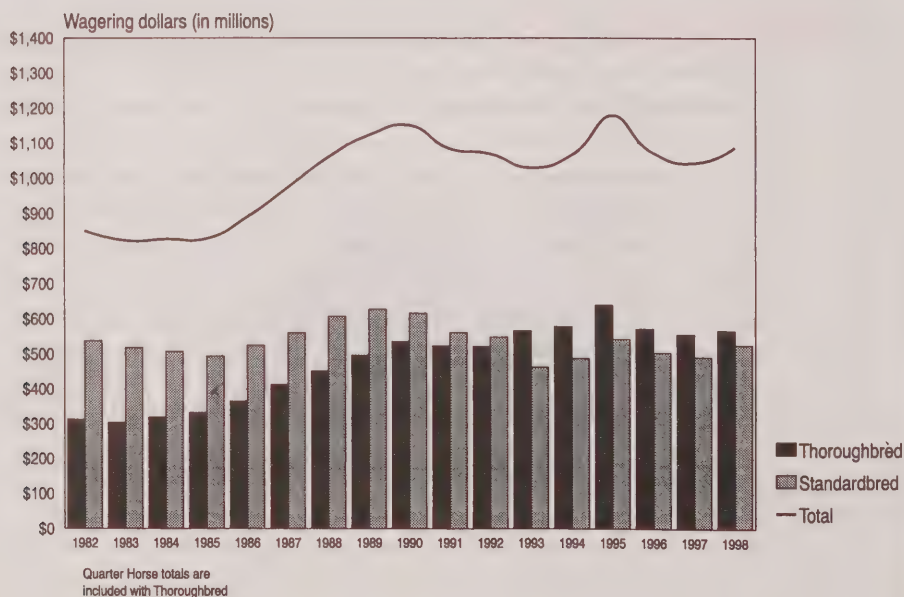
Wagering Trends in Ontario

Based on wagering conducted within the province and by breed

Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered
1982	1,657	537,622,939	238	312,886,211	7	118,298	1,902	850,627,448
1983	1,672	517,786,938	241	304,864,472	7	103,196	1,920	822,754,606
1984	1,633	507,096,175	245	319,343,712	7	82,426	1,885	826,522,313
1985	1,549	494,314,388	264	333,683,591	7	84,692	1,820	828,082,671
1986	1,625	524,243,023	282	365,528,513	12	139,651	1,919	889,911,187
1987	1,551	560,118,892	278	413,565,078	13	118,110	1,842	973,802,080
1988	1,643	607,601,166	287	452,114,414	16	141,124	1,946	1,059,856,704
1989	1,628	627,249,647	288	495,407,190	20	244,565	1,936	1,122,901,402
1990	1,585	616,089,970	292	535,324,696	21	334,927	1,898	1,151,749,593
1991	1,498	560,950,032	293	523,630,971	21	258,061	1,812	1,084,839,064
1992	1,486	548,569,954	293	521,513,857	18	186,106	1,797	1,070,269,917
1993	1,333	463,929,955	294	567,019,864	17	139,387	1,644	1,031,089,206
1994	1,298	488,252,954	279	578,367,530	19	151,149	1,596	1,066,771,633
1995	1,208	540,542,758	291	638,490,418	20	128,836	1,519	1,179,162,012
1996	1,215	501,662,083	295	569,659,968	21	110,278	1,531	1,071,432,329
1997	1,134	489,346,651	278	553,407,902	20	98,321	1,432	1,042,852,875
1998	1,216	523,637,389	246	564,056,502	19	97,132	1,481	1,087,791,024

Note:

These figures include all wagering conducted in Ontario on both local and foreign product. These numbers do not include any amounts for wagers placed on Ontario product in other jurisdictions (ie. New Jersey wagering on Woodbine Thoroughbred).



Wagering Statistics

Comparison of 1997 and 1998

Tracks	No. of Days			Actual on Site (bet at Ontario tracks)		
	1998	1997	%+-	1998	1997	%+-
Thoroughbred						
Woodbine	171	178	-3.9%	403,665,804.17	380,465,698.95	6.1%
Fort Erie	75	100	-25.0%	30,343,481.24	46,365,083.75	-34.6%
Total Thoroughbred	246	278	-11.5%	434,009,285.41	426,830,782.70	1.7%
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)						
Total Quarter Horse	19	20	-5.0%	301,592.00	333,576.00	-9.6%
Standardbred						
Woodbine	159	150	6.0%	259,230,147.84	245,531,286.88	5.6%
Mohawk	100	110	-9.1%	84,057,177.00	87,402,376.00	-3.8%
OJC	259	260	-0.4%	343,287,324.84	332,933,662.88	3.1%
Windsor	166	149	11.4%	57,079,668.64	54,471,383.44	4.8%
Flamboro Downs	255	212	20.3%	71,171,953.00	63,804,362.00	11.5%
Rideau Carleton	74	77	-3.9%	33,393,136.00	31,161,307.00	7.2%
Western Fair	92	89	3.4%	29,756,198.64	28,446,412.68	4.6%
Hiawatha	50	48	4.2%	10,738,312.26	9,587,466.22	12.0%
Barrie	52	54	-3.7%	18,180,787.70	14,730,655.40	23.4%
Kawartha Downs	50	31	61.3%	14,174,555.40	9,037,067.28	56.8%
Elmira	51	50	2.0%	32,366,273.43	33,250,727.00	-2.7%
Sudbury Downs	55	50	10.0%	19,258,987.00	19,747,933.00	-2.5%
Dresden	15	14	7.1%	5,731,989.92	4,632,270.97	23.7%
Woodstock	15	15	0.0%	5,220,692.15	4,395,529.00	18.8%
Belleville	25	25	0.0%	2,902,429.00	2,650,892.00	9.5%
Hanover	21	21	0.0%	4,948,050.07	3,996,588.00	23.8%
Clinton	12	12	0.0%	2,269,789.24	2,506,667.00	-9.4%
Total Supervised	1,192	1,107	7.7%	650,480,147.29	615,352,923.87	5.7%
Unsupervised	24	27	-11.1%	281,231.00	335,593.00	-16.2%
Total Standardbred	1,216	1,134	7.2%	650,761,378.29	615,688,516.87	5.7%
Grand Total	1,481	1,432	3.4%	1,085,072,255.70	1,042,852,875.57	4.0%

Notes

All numbers are based on wagering data provided to Standardbred Canada by the Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency

Definition: Actual On-Site

1. Money bet by an Ontario bettor at an Ontario track or outlet.
2. Dollars bet at a site are attributed to that racetrack regardless of breed.

1997

Kawartha Downs experienced a contract dispute during the first two months of their racing schedule.

Flamboro Downs experienced a contract dispute with its horsemen in the early part of the year. Late in the year the track also experienced a contract dispute with its pari-mutuel staff which lasted into 1998 but did not cause a cessation of racing.

Dresden Raceway was purchased by Winrac Development Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Windsor Raceway Inc.

Fort Erie Race Track was sold by The Ontario Jockey Club to Nordic Gaming Corporation.

1998

During its first year of operation under new ownership, Fort Erie Racetrack ran a shorter racing season.

The Ontario Jockey Club shifted 10 race dates from Mohawk to Woodbine.

Windsor Raceway expanded its summer racing schedule from a one day a week to a two days a week.

Attendance

Most Ontario racetracks are no longer charging admission and are no longer tracking attendance on a consistent basis. As a result this data is no longer available.

Analysis of 1998 Wagering Statistics

Breakdown of wagering by source of bet and by breed

Tracks	Live	% of total	Simulcasting on track	% of total	Off Track	% of total	Tele. Acc. Betting	% of total	Total Wagering	Thoroughbred	Standardbred
Thoroughbred											
Woodbine	93,509,631.32	23.2%	66,410,274.85	16.5%	234,125,765.00	58.0%	9,620,133.00	2.4%	403,665,804.17	403,665,804.17	
Fort Erie	13,289,337.79	43.8%	17,054,143.45	56.2%		0.0%			30,343,481.24	27,901,780.84	2,441,700.40
Total TB	106,798,969.11	24.6%	83,464,418.30	19.2%	234,125,765.00	58.0%	9,620,133.00	2.2%	434,009,285.41	431,567,585.01	2,441,700.40
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)											
Total QH	97,132.00	32.2%	204,460.00	67.8%					301,592.00	301,592.00	
Standardbred											
Woodbine	42,370,702.66	16.3%	89,094,461.78	34.4%	120,322,749.40	46.4%	7,442,234.00	2.9%	259,230,147.84	38,488,002.50	220,742,145.34
Mohawk	15,098,140.00	17.3%	3,171,664.00	3.6%	68,787,373.00	79.0%			87,057,177.00		87,057,177.00
OJC	57,468,842.66	16.6%	92,266,125.78	26.6%	189,110,122.40	54.6%	7,442,234.00	2.1%	346,287,324.84	38,488,002.50	307,799,322.34
Windsor	23,051,589.89	40.4%	31,422,047.82	55.0%	2,606,030.93	4.6%			57,079,668.64	15,244,685.59	41,834,983.05
Flamboro Downs	11,054,395.00	15.5%	8,549,182.00	12.0%	51,568,376.00	72.5%			71,171,953.00	21,407,712.00	49,764,241.00
Rideau Carleton	3,206,017.00	9.6%	11,963,998.00	35.8%	18,223,121.00	54.6%			33,393,136.00	9,483,766.00	23,909,370.00
Western Fair	4,243,459.00	14.3%	24,244,870.00	81.5%	1,267,869.64	4.3%			29,756,198.64	8,358,513.40	21,397,685.24
Hiawatha	2,399,078.12	22.3%	8,070,704.23	75.2%	268,529.91	2.5%			10,738,312.26	2,757,875.94	7,980,436.32
Barrie	2,582,272.00	14.2%	7,817,832.00	43.0%	7,780,683.70	42.8%			18,180,787.70	6,751,974.40	11,428,813.30
Kawartha Downs	1,610,135.00	11.4%	755,376.00	5.3%	11,809,044.40	83.3%			14,174,555.40	4,395,551.60	9,779,003.80
Elmira	1,643,652.00	5.1%	8,246,399.00	25.5%	22,476,222.43	69.4%			32,366,273.43	12,059,710.30	20,306,563.13
Sudbury Downs	365,269.00	1.9%	149,776.00	0.8%	18,743,942.00	97.3%			19,258,987.00	9,567,032.00	9,691,955.00
Dresden	790,993.40	13.8%	1,672,399.38	29.2%	3,268,597.14	57.0%			5,731,989.92	696,407.72	5,035,582.20
Woodstock	481,764.00	9.2%	185,384.00	3.6%	4,553,544.15	87.2%			5,220,692.15	844,907.00	4,375,785.15
Belleville	389,951.00	13.4%	1,945,117.00	67.0%	567,361.00	19.5%			2,902,429.00	831,650.00	2,070,779.00
Hanover	654,882.00	13.2%	268,114.00	5.4%	4,025,054.07	81.3%			4,948,050.07	1,134,470.70	3,813,579.37
Clinton	413,422.00	18.2%	65,192.00	2.9%	1,791,175.24	78.9%			2,269,789.24	262,198.60	2,007,590.64
Total Supervised	110,355,722.07	16.9%	197,622,517.21	30.2%	338,059,674.01	51.7%	7,442,234.00	1.1%	653,480,147.29	132,284,457.75	521,195,689.54
Unsupervised	281,231.00								281,231.00		281,231.00
Total SB	110,636,953.07	16.9%	197,622,517.21	30.2%	338,059,674.01	51.7%	7,442,234.00	1.1%	653,761,378.29	132,284,457.75	521,476,920.54
Grand Total	217,533,054.18	20.0%	281,291,395.51	25.9%	572,185,439.01	52.6%	17,062,367.00	1.6%	1,088,072,255.70	564,153,634.76	523,918,620.94

Breakdown of wagering by Ontario product and Foreign product

Ontario						Foreign					
Thoroughbred	% of TB total	Standardbred	% of SB total	Total Ontario	% of total	Thoroughbred	% of TB total	Standardbred	% of SB total	Total Foreign	% of TB total
180,381,755.70	44.7%			180,381,755.70	44.7%	223,284,048.47	55.3%			223,284,048.47	55.3%
20,329,448.83	72.9%	2,045,501.33	83.8%	22,374,950.16	73.7%	7,572,332.01	27.1%	396,199.07	16.2%	7,968,531.08	26.3%
200,711,204.53	46.5%	2,047,501.33	83.8%	202,756,705.86	46.7%	230,856,380.48	53.5%	396,199.07	16.2%	231,252,579.55	53.3%
237,487.00	78.7%			237,487.00	78.7%	64,105.00	21.3%			64,105.00	21.3%
		171,311,043.74	77.6%	171,311,043.74	66.1%	38,488,002.50	100.0%	49,431,101.60	22.4%	87,919,104.10	33.9%
		65,779,327.00	75.6%	65,779,327.00	75.6%			21,277,850.00	24.4%	21,277,850.00	24.4%
		237,090,370.74	77.0%	237,090,370.74	68.5%	38,488,002.50	100.0%	70,708,951.60	23.0%	109,196,954.10	31.5%
3,204,500.84	21.0%	35,404,402.23	84.6%	38,608,903.17	67.6%	12,040,184.75	79.0%	6,430,580.72	15.4%	18,470,765.47	32.4%
12,337,831.00	57.6%	40,056,933.00	80.5%	52,394,764.00	73.6%	9,068,881.00	42.4%	9,707,308.00	19.5%	18,777,189.00	26.4%
2,932,295.00	30.9%	17,022,964.00	71.2%	19,955,259.00	59.8%	6,551,471.00	69.1%	6,886,406.00	28.8%	13,437,877.00	40.2%
1,901,140.96	22.7%	17,948,084.09	83.9%	19,849,225.05	66.7%	6,457,372.44	77.3%	3,449,601.15	16.1%	9,906,973.59	33.3%
813,859.66	29.5%	6,859,237.25	86.0%	7,673,096.91	71.5%	1,944,016.28	70.5%	1,121,199.07	14.0%	3,065,215.35	28.5%
2,917,319.60	43.2%	9,935,618.50	86.9%	12,852,938.10	70.7%	3,834,654.80	56.8%	1,493,194.80	13.1%	5,327,849.60	29.3%
1,482,512.80	33.7%	8,239,544.20	84.3%	9,722,057.00	68.6%	2,913,038.80	66.3%	1,539,459.60	15.7%	4,452,498.40	31.4%
3,101,461.36	25.7%	15,917,535.73	78.4%	19,018,997.09	58.8%	8,958,248.94	74.3%	4,389,027.40	21.6%	13,347,276.34	41.2%
3,296,708.00	34.5%	5,681,745.00	58.6%	8,978,453.00	46.6%	6,270,324.00	65.5%	4,010,210.00	41.4%	10,280,534.00	53.4%
355,097.98	48.1%	4,216,401.36	83.7%	4,551,499.34	79.4%	361,309.74	51.9%	819,180.84	16.3%	1,180,490.58	20.6%
414,773.20	49.1%	3,756,515.40	85.8%	4,171,288.60	79.9%	430,133.80	50.9%	619,269.75	14.2%	1,049,403.55	20.1%
516,045.00	62.1%	1,711,068.00	82.6%	2,227,113.00	76.7%	315,605.00	37.9%	359,711.00	17.4%	675,316.00	23.3%
651,947.64	57.5%	3,205,302.77	84.0%	3,857,250.41	78.0%	482,523.06	42.5%	608,276.60	16.0%	1,090,799.66	22.0%
164,741.84	62.8%	1,759,313.54	87.6%	1,924,055.38	84.8%	97,456.76	37.2%	248,277.10	12.4%	345,733.86	15.2%
34,090,234.88	25.8%	408,805,035.81	78.4%	442,875,270.79	67.8%	98,213,222.87	74.2%	112,390,653.63	21.6%	210,604,876.50	32.2%
		281,231.00	100.0%	281,231.00	100.0%						
34,070,234.88	25.8%	409,086,266.91	78.4%	443,156,501.79	67.8%	98,214,222.87	74.2%	112,390,653.63	21.6%	210,604,876.50	32.2%
235,018,926.41	41.7%	411,131,768.24	78.5%	646,150,694.65	59.4%	329,134,708.35	58.3%	112,786,852.70	21.5%	441,921,561.05	40.6%

Intertrack Wagering

Track	Thoroughbred Product			Standardbred Product			Total	
	1998	1997	% +/-	1998	1997	% +/-	1998	1997
Thoroughbred								
Woodbine	66,410,274.85	45,103,239.47	47.2%				66,410,274.85	45,103,239.47
Fort Erie	14,612,443.05	11,647,943.94	25.5%	2,441,700.40	705,483.24	246.1%	17,054,143.45	12,353,427.18
Total TB	81,022,717.90	56,751,183.41	42.8%	2,441,700.40	705,483.24	246.1%	83,464,418.30	57,456,666.65
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)								
Total QH	204,460.00	235,255.00	-13.1%				204,460.00	235,255.00
Standardbred								
Woodbine	38,488,002.50	40,377,272.00	-4.7%	50,606,459.28	36,157,516.00	40.0%	89,094,461.78	76,534,788.00
Mohawk				3,171,664.00	3,086,630.00	2.8%	3,171,664.00	3,086,630.00
Windsor	15,100,171.27	14,743,620.29	2.4%	16,321,876.55	15,166,425.13	7.6%	31,422,047.82	29,910,045.42
Flamboro	3,464,147.00	3,116,583.00	11.2%	5,085,035.00	3,824,269.00	33.0%	8,549,182.00	6,940,852.00
Rideau Carleton	4,396,513.00	3,107,095.00	41.5%	7,567,485.00	6,383,753.00	18.5%	11,963,998.00	9,490,848.00
Western Fair	8,338,853.00	7,395,203.00	12.8%	15,906,017.00	15,280,407.68	4.1%	24,244,870.00	22,675,610.68
Hiawatha	2,757,875.94	2,314,519.88	19.2%	5,312,828.29	4,828,299.85	10.0%	8,070,704.23	7,142,819.73
Barrie	3,358,926.00	2,569,026.00	30.7%	4,458,906.00	4,333,634.00	2.9%	7,817,832.00	6,902,660.00
Kawartha	14,953.00	2,698.00	454.2%	740,423.00	389,950.00	89.9%	755,376.00	392,648.00
Elmira	3,126,221.00	3,166,621.00	-1.3%	5,120,178.00	4,893,196.00	4.6%	8,246,399.00	8,059,817.00
Sudbury	41,394.00	34,924.00	18.5%	108,382.00	136,302.00	-20.5%	149,776.00	171,226.00
Dresden	213,828.04	63,000.00	239.4%	1,458,571.34	728,914.00	100.1%	1,672,399.38	791,914.00
Woodstock				185,384.00	263,282.00	-29.6%	185,384.00	263,282.00
Belleville	654,006.00	217,082.00	201.3%	1,291,111.00	374,106.00	245.1%	1,945,117.00	591,188.00
Hanover	20,563.00	34,535.00	-40.5%	247,551.00	268,537.00	-7.8%	268,114.00	303,072.00
Clinton	65,192.00	69,201.00	-5.8%				65,192.00	69,201.00
Total	80,040,645.75	77,211,380.17	3.7%	117,581,871.46	96,115,221.66	22.3%	197,622,517.21	173,326,601.83
Grand Total	161,267,823.65	134,197,818.58	20.2%	120,023,571.86	96,820,704.90	24.0%	281,291,395.51	231,018,523.48

Teletheatres

Racetrack	Thoroughbred			Standardbred			Total		
	1998	1997	% +/-	1998	1997	% +/-	1998	1997	% +/-
Barrie	891,057	874,667	1.9%	1,888,986	1,615,183	17.0%	2,780,043	2,489,850	11.7%
Belleville	177,644	530,555	-66.5%	389,717	1,158,783	-66.4%	567,361	1,689,338	-66.4%
Flamboro Downs	17,943,565	20,453,909	-12.3%	33,624,811	27,511,915	22.4%	51,568,376	47,965,824	7.5%
Kawartha Downs	3,612,549	3,037,893	18.9%	6,616,041	3,965,883	66.8%	10,228,590	7,003,776	46.0%
The Ontario Jockey Club	222,322,247	245,435,041	-9.4%	177,061,067	180,283,459	-1.8%	399,383,314	425,718,500	-6.2%
QJC/Picov Hub	13,866,704	13,658,421	1.5%	13,783,579	13,737,055	0.3%	27,650,283	27,395,476	0.9%
Ontario Teletheatre Network	12,313,271	10,828,563	13.7%	23,671,922	25,767,641	-8.1%	35,985,193	36,596,204	-1.7%
Western Fair	2,555	14,797	-82.7%	1,010,354	1,391,324	-27.4%	1,012,909	1,406,121	-28.0%
Hiawatha				167,678	270,456	-38.0%	167,678	270,456	-38.0%
Windsor	627,094	12,991		5,247,534	2,137,705	145.5%	5,874,628	2,150,696	173.2%
Rideau Carleton	5,087,253	4,860,546	4.7%	13,135,868	13,892,571	-5.4%	18,223,121	18,753,117	-2.8%
Sudbury	9,525,638	7,513,144	26.8%	9,218,304	11,698,873	-26.8%	18,743,942	19,212,017	-2.4%
Total	286,369,577	307,220,527	-6.8%	285,815,862	283,430,848	0.8%	572,185,438	590,651,375	-3.1%

** Adjustments for shared markets not included in these figures

Racing Statistics



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Commission Activity – Thoroughbred

The Stewards issued 487 rulings against licensed personnel for various infractions involving owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders in 1998.

Inquiries by the Stewards

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1974	51	21	30
1975	41	15	26
1976	45	18	27
1977	26	5	21
1978	28	14	14
1979	59	29	30
1980	65	26	39
1981	92	48	44
1982	81	49	32
1983	109	67	42
1984	76	54	22
1985	63	51	12
1986	70	43	27
1987	62	42	20
1988	68	57	11
1989	79	64	15
1990	66	53	13
1991	78	66	12
1992	84	69	15
1993	71	52	19
1994	67	58	9
1995	49	31	18
1996	56	47	9
1997	55	43	12
1998	48	36	12

Claims of Foul

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1974	83	26	57
1975	86	29	57
1976	61	21	40
1977	93	24	69
1978	91	37	54
1979	97	32	65
1980	111	40	71
1981	131	40	91
1982	87	30	57
1983	93	27	66
1984	90	27	63
1985	90	32	58
1986	92	28	64
1987	89	27	62
1988	118	29	89
1989	117	18	99
1990	140	34	106
1991	131	42	89
1992	133	42	91
1993	144	40	104
1994	116	33	83
1995	103	23	80
1996	79	21	58
1997	76	15	61
1998	65	18	47

Scratches

	1996	1997	1998
By Commission			
Veterinarians	446	428	342
By Stewards	358	354	294
As part of entries	48	64	94
Out of stakes	36	35	43
Total	888	888	773

Trainers' Examinations

	1996	1997	1998
Number of examinations written	67	47	68
Number of examinations passed	40	24	40
Number of examinations failed	27	23	28

Urine and Blood Tests

	1995	1996	1997	1998
Number ordered by the stewards (inc. extras)	6,985	7,138	6,682	5,046
Number taken	6,966	7,110	6,669	5,035
Number abandoned	19	28	13	11

Claims – Standardbred

						\$Value	Average \$ Value
	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1998	1998
Barrie	74	64	35	55	106	420,250	3,964
Belleville	9	14	14	5	10	28,625	2,862
Clinton	8	11	16	4	8	22,250	2,781
Dresden	29	24	12	5	26	70,875	2,726
Elmira	45	32	46	69	87	368,125	4,231
Flamoro Downs	235	131	276	312	446	2,438,037	5,466
Hanover	11	14	14	9	22	67,250	3,056
Hiawatha	24	47	23	33	58	199,750	3,444
Kawartha Downs	16	25	9	5	22	86,030	3,910
Kingston Park	2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mohawk	257	274	338	268	305	6,981,750	22,890
Rideau Carleton	66	88	130	101	124	600,500	4,843
Sudbury	18	17	36	49	53	195,000	3,679
Western Fair	76	55	94	69	137	547,905	3,999
Windsor	158	363	359	235	311	1,921,075	6,177
Woodbine (Greenwood)	275	409	488	478	586	12,597,750	21,498
Woodstock	5	20	18	17	27	80,625	2,986
Total	1,308	1,588	1,908	1,714	2,328	26,625,797	11,437

Claims and Tattooing – Thoroughbred

Tattooing

Year	Number of Horses Tattooed
1984	1,056
1985	1,090
1986	1,310
1987	1,300
1988	1,419
1989	1,461
1990	1,327
1991	1,349
1992	1,292
1993	1,162
1994	988
1995	1,013
1996	1,034
1997	1,011
1998	817

Claims

Year	No.	Average Value
1984	676	\$10,257
1985	696	\$10,379
1986	861	\$9,918
1987	913	\$11,234
1988	815	\$12,811
1989	1,050	\$9,878
1990	639	\$12,992
1991	544	\$13,320
1992	863	\$12,926
1993	821	\$12,554
1994	813	\$12,271
1995	932	\$12,438
1996	934	\$11,691
1997	823	\$11,925
1998	749	\$12,334

Positive Tests

	Standardbred					Thoroughbred				
	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Ambroxol				1						
Atropine				1						
Bumetanide		1								
Bupivacaine						1				
Caffeine	6	1	3	7						
Cathinone		2								
Clidinium			1							
Cocaine	2	3								
Codeine					1					
Cotinine		1								
Cromoglycate	5	5	1	2	2					
Cyproheptadine			1							
Diazepam	1									
Diclofenac		1		1	1					
Dimethylsulfoxide	1		2	1	3					
Ephedrine	8		3	2	5					2
Ethacrynic Acid	2			4						
Flunixin		1								
Furosemide	4	8	12	2	2		1			
Glycopyrrrolate				1	3					1
Guaifenesin	5			1	3		1			1
Hydrochlorothiazide	1									
Indomethacin		1								
Isoxsuprine					1					
Isoproterenol					2					
Ketoprofen	6	1								
Ketorolac			1							
Lidocaine	1									
Meclofenamic Acid	1	1								
Methocarbamol	1	1	1	2	4		2			2
Methylphenidate							1			
Morphine	2									
Nimesulide			5	3						
Pentoxifylline			1							
Phenylbutazone	5	5	5	2	7			3		
Phenylpropanolamine			1	2	1					1
Prednisolone	1	1	1		6	1				
Procaine	5	1	6	2	6	3		3	2	
Promazine					2					
Propantheline		22			1					
Pyrilamine			1							
Salicylic Acid	2	2	3	1				1		
Salbutamol					3					
Theobromine		1	1							
Theophylline	3		1	1			2			
Tranexamic Acid			1							
Trichlormethiazide	2									
Total Positive Tests	64	59	51	32	53	5	7	7	8	1

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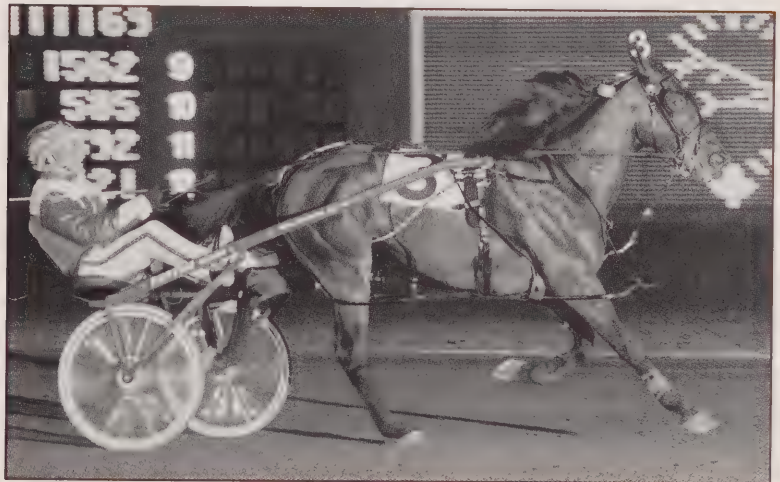
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Blissfull Hall

Canadian-owned *Blissfull Hall* won Horse of the Year honours in Canada in 1999. The 3 year-old son of *Cambest* out of *Hundred Kisses* won over \$1.3 million in purses including the bonus for winning Harness Racing's Triple Crown. (Photo: New Image Media)

Thornfield

By Canadian-bred stallion, *Sky Classic*, five-year-old *Thornfield* capped off a six race season with a win in the \$1.56 million Canadian International, becoming only the fifth Canadian-bred winner of the race since the race was moved to the turf in 1951. *Thornfield* was named Horse of the Year and also received the Sovereign Award for best male grass horse. (Photo: David Landry)

Chair's Letter to the Minister



Ontario
Racing
Commission

The Honourable Robert Runciman
Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations,
Parliament Buildings,
Queen's Park,
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Minister:

We are pleased to submit this fiftieth Annual Statistical Report of the Ontario Racing Commission, covering the operations of the Commission during 1999.

Our golden anniversary year as a Commission was marked with many positive developments. The introduction of slot machines at race tracks has already had a tremendous effect on the horse racing industry as a whole. With the resulting increase in income, race tracks have undertaken major capital improvements, purses have increased remarkably and the breeding industry has experienced an increased demand for quality horses at higher prices. There is a level of optimism in the industry that is unparalleled.

This heightened activity in the industry has increased the demand for services from the Commission. Utilizing a series of focus groups, we sought input from our clients and our staff as to how we could improve the level and quality of our services. We have taken steps to upgrade the standards for our judges, stewards and veterinarians, and we have introduced a higher penalty structure for drug offences. We have introduced higher standards for security at race tracks and we are working towards the introduction of business standards and a code of ethics for licensees. We have implemented a new testing procedure for bicarbonates which permits the testing of both thoroughbred and standardbred horses at all the tracks. We have introduced an Industry Appeal Board (Thoroughbred Division) to deal with appeals on less serious offences by peer review. And, in an effort to better communicate with our constituency, the first edition of our newsletter, *Integrity Matters*, was released this year.

Anticipating that the demands for our services will continue to increase over the coming years, we have begun to consider altering the status of the Commission by becoming a self-funding agency. This would permit the Commission to deal with an increased number of live race dates, further improve the quality of judging, increase our investigative complement and thereby meet the needs of an industry that is seeking to raise its overall competitive position in the gaming/entertainment market.

The Commission wishes to recognize the commitment of your government in supporting the renewal of the racing industry. The future of horse racing in Ontario has never looked brighter.

Yours sincerely,

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Highlights Of 1999

- It has been three years since the Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the industry and the government in late 1996 when the pari-mutual tax was lowered to 0.5%. 1999 was the fourth consecutive year of wagering increases and all indicators in the industry are reflecting positive signals for continued growth and development, all positive signs for the health of the industry.
- The government's initiative to establish slot operations at racetracks took a major step forward in 1999. Six racetracks across the province opened in 1999 to join Windsor Raceway which opened its operation in December of 1998. First to open was Hiawatha Horse Park. By the end of the season, the track's daily purse account had increased three fold. On August 10th, Mohawk Raceway's operation opened. Extensive renovations to the racetrack include a state-of-the-art simulcast theatre, appropriately called the Race Book. In September the much anticipated site at Fort Erie Racetrack opened, followed later in the month by the opening at Western Fair. November saw the sites at Kawartha Downs and Sudbury Downs opened. As an indication of the success of the initiative, a 10% increase (100 days) in the number of live race date applications for 2000 were approved by the Ontario Racing Commission at its Race Date Hearing in October.
- To keep pace with the growing demand for its services and to respond to requests for change, the Ontario Racing Commission has developed an Action Plan that includes a review of the Racing Commission Act and a study of alternative means of financing Commission activities. Specific areas addressed by the Action Plan include the development of Race-track Security Procedures, Standards for Official Veterinarians, the establishment of a Thoroughbred Appeal Tribunal, the development of a TCO₂ program for Ontario, web site plans, establishment of an investigations unit, improvements to our hearings management system, communications enhancements to improve accessibility to Commission staff and the development of higher penalties for drug offenses. While some of these projects have already been put in place by the end of 1999, others are planned for the future or currently in developmental stages.
- The Commission released the first issue of its newsletter "Integrity Matters", a publication aimed at informing licensees and the general public of regulatory issues which may affect them. With the aim of publishing once or twice a year, the publication will assist the Commission in getting out information on rule changes, policy matters regarding racing issues, Commission actions, results of court matters, program information and developing news.
- A Thoroughbred Division of the Racing Industry Appeal Board was established in 1999 to handle appeals of lesser penalty through a peer review process. Similar to the Standardbred Appeal Board which has been in operation since the mid 1970's, members to the Board are appointed by the Ontario Racing Commission upon recommendation from industry associations. In 1999 the Board sat for 6 days and heard 30 appeals on a wide range of rule violations. Of the 20 appeals which were denied, nine were further appealed to the Ontario Racing Commission.
- Ontario adopted the federally established TCO₂ program which went into operation on August 16th at all racetracks across the province. Testing to detect excess levels of bicarbonate is now in place at every track, in every race on every day. This has resulted in a two-fold increase in the number of horses tested. Over 13,000 tests were taken during the 4 ½ month period the program was in operation in 1999, resulting in eight positive tests.
- The Commission approved a higher penalty structure for positive tests in 1999 which applies an increasingly severe penalty to repeat offenders. A first offence for a Class I drug can bring a 1 to 5 year suspension along with a \$5,000 fine; on the third offence that raises to a ten year ban. For the purposes of calculating penalty, TCO₂ offences are counted together with other drug offences.
- Canadian-owned Blissfull Hall won Standardbred Racing's Triple Crown in 1999 and went on to win Horse of the Year honours in Canada and 3 year-old Pacer of the Year honours in the United States.
- In 1999 the number of Standardbred claims rose 15% and the average value of Thoroughbred claims rose 23%, strong indications of the health of the industry.
- Wagering on horse racing in the Province of Ontario rose to \$1.14 billion in 1999, the fourth year of steady growth. Betting on live horse racing accounted for 17.6% of all wagering, betting at the track on other product (intertrack) accounted for 27.6%, betting through off-track establishments accounted for 52.6% and telephone account betting accounted for 2.2%.

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Racing Commission Act

Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990, Chapter R.2

The Ontario Racing Commission was established under the Racing Commission Act by the Ontario Provincial Government in 1950 to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in the province.

1. In this Act,

- (a) Commission means the Ontario Racing Commission;
- (b) Minister means the member of the Executive Council to whom the administration of this Act is assigned by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. ("ministre") R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 1.

2. The body corporate known as the Ontario Racing Commission, established under *The Racing Commission Act*, 1950, being chapter 67, is continued under the name Ontario Racing Commission in English and the name Commission des courses de l'Ontario in French, and shall be composed of not fewer than three and not more than seven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 2, *revised*.

3. The objects of the Commission are to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 3.

4. The members of the Commission shall hold office for a term of not more than three years, but any person is eligible for reappointment. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 4.

5. (1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall name one of the members to be the chair and one of the members to be the vice-chair.

(2) When the office of chair is vacant or in the absence of the chair, the vice-chair shall act in his place and stead. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 5.

6. (1) At any meeting of the Commission a majority of the members constitutes a quorum, and a majority vote of the members present at any meeting of the Commission determines any question.

(2) The chair has a casting vote in addition to his ordinary vote. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 6.

7. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may fill any vacancy that occurs in the membership of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 7.

8. The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall fix the salaries of the chair, the vice-chair and the other members of the Commission. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 8.

9. The salaries and expenses of the members of the Commission and of the officers, clerks and other employees thereof, and generally all costs, charges and expenses incurred and payable in respect of the carrying out of this Act, shall be paid out of the monies appropriated therefor by the Legislature. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 10.

10. The Commission has power,

(a) to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Ontario in any or all of its forms;

(b) to govern, control and regulate the operation of race tracks in Ontario at which any form of horse racing is carried on;

(c) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers, and to require by a summons signed by the chair or by any other member of the Commission any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as the Commission considers requisite in any such hearing;

(d) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act, by a fine or other penalty or otherwise;

(e) to make by-laws for the conduct of its business and for the control and direction of its work;

(f) to license persons to operate race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;

(g) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespersons and

such other persons in or about racetracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on, and to impose such terms and conditions on a licence as the Commission considers expedient;

(h) to fix and collect fees or other charges for licences, prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which they may be issued;

(i) to refuse to grant any licence or to suspend or revoke any licence for conduct that the Commission considers to be contrary to the public interest;

(j) to require registration with the Commission of, and to register colours, assumed names, partnerships and contracts and such other matters and things as the Commission considers expedient;

(k) to fix and collect fees or other charges for registration under clause (j) and to prescribe the form thereof and the conditions under which registration may be made;

(l) to make and promulgate rules for the conduct of horse racing in any of its forms;

(m) to employ stewards, veterinarians, analysts, secretarial assistants, judges and such other persons as the Commission considers expedient to attend at race meetings on behalf of the Commission;

(n) to require approval by the Commission of the appointment of race track officials and employees whose duties relate to the actual running of horse races and to compel the discharge for cause of any such official or employee;

(o) to fix, impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act;

(p) to require persons licensed to operate race tracks to keep books of account in a manner satisfactory to the Commission, and to inspect such books at any time;

(q) to do such things relating to horse racing in any or all of its forms, or to the operation of race tracks at which

horse racing is carried on, as are authorized or directed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 11; 1981, c. 33, s. 2.

11. The accounts of the Commission shall be audited by the Provincial Auditor or by such other auditor as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may appoint. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 12.

12. The Commission shall make a report annually to the Minister, containing such information as the Minister may require. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 13.

13. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations with respect to any and all matters or things that are considered necessary for the carrying out of this Act. R.S.O. 1980, c. 429, s. 14.

14. (1) Rules for the conduct of horse racing may be promulgated by the Commission under this Act and the Commission may therein delegate to stewards, judges, veterinarians, race track officials, racing association officials, licensing agents or officers of the Commission such of the following powers as the Commission considers expedient,

- (a) to hold hearings relating to the carrying out of its objects or powers;
- (b) to enforce the carrying out and observance of all regulations, rules and conditions established under this Act;
- (c) to license owners, trainers, drivers, jockeys, apprentice jockeys, grooms, jockeys' agents, jockeys' valets, exercise riders, tradespeople and such other persons in or about race tracks at which horse racing in any of its forms is carried on;
- (d) to collect fees or other charges for licenses;
- (e) to impose and collect fines and other penalties for a contravention of any requirement of the Commission under this Act.

(2) The Commission may adopt by reference, in whole or in part, with

such changes as the Commission considers necessary, rules and procedures of racing associations or bodies and may delegate to racing associations or bodies the power to,

- (a) enforce the carrying out and observance of the rules and procedures as adopted or amended;
- (b) hold hearings in respect of the contravention of any of the said rules or procedures; and
- (c) impose and collect fines, costs and other penalties for the contravention of any of the rules or procedures, and where a power has been so delegated to a racing association or body, it shall have the right to exercise discretion or judgment in relation to the powers delegated.

(3) Every person, association or body to whom a power to hold hearings has been delegated under subsection (1) or (2), may by summons require any person to give evidence on oath and to produce such documents and things as may be required for purposes of a hearing.

(4) Subject to subsection (6), any person who considers themselves aggrieved by a decision of a person delegated by the Commission under a rule made under subsection (1) or by a decision resulting from a hearing held pursuant to a delegation under subsection (2), is entitled to a hearing by the Commission and, in the case of a hearing, the Commission may exercise its powers and duties under section 10 as if such powers and duties had not been delegated.

(5) Where the Commission, after holding a hearing, is of the opinion that the request for the hearing was frivolously made, the Commission may order the person requesting the hearing to pay to the Commission a penalty of no more than \$300 in addition to any other penalty that may be imposed.

(6) Where the rules of the Commission, promulgated or adopted, provide for an appeal to an association or body, any person who considers themselves aggrieved shall appeal in

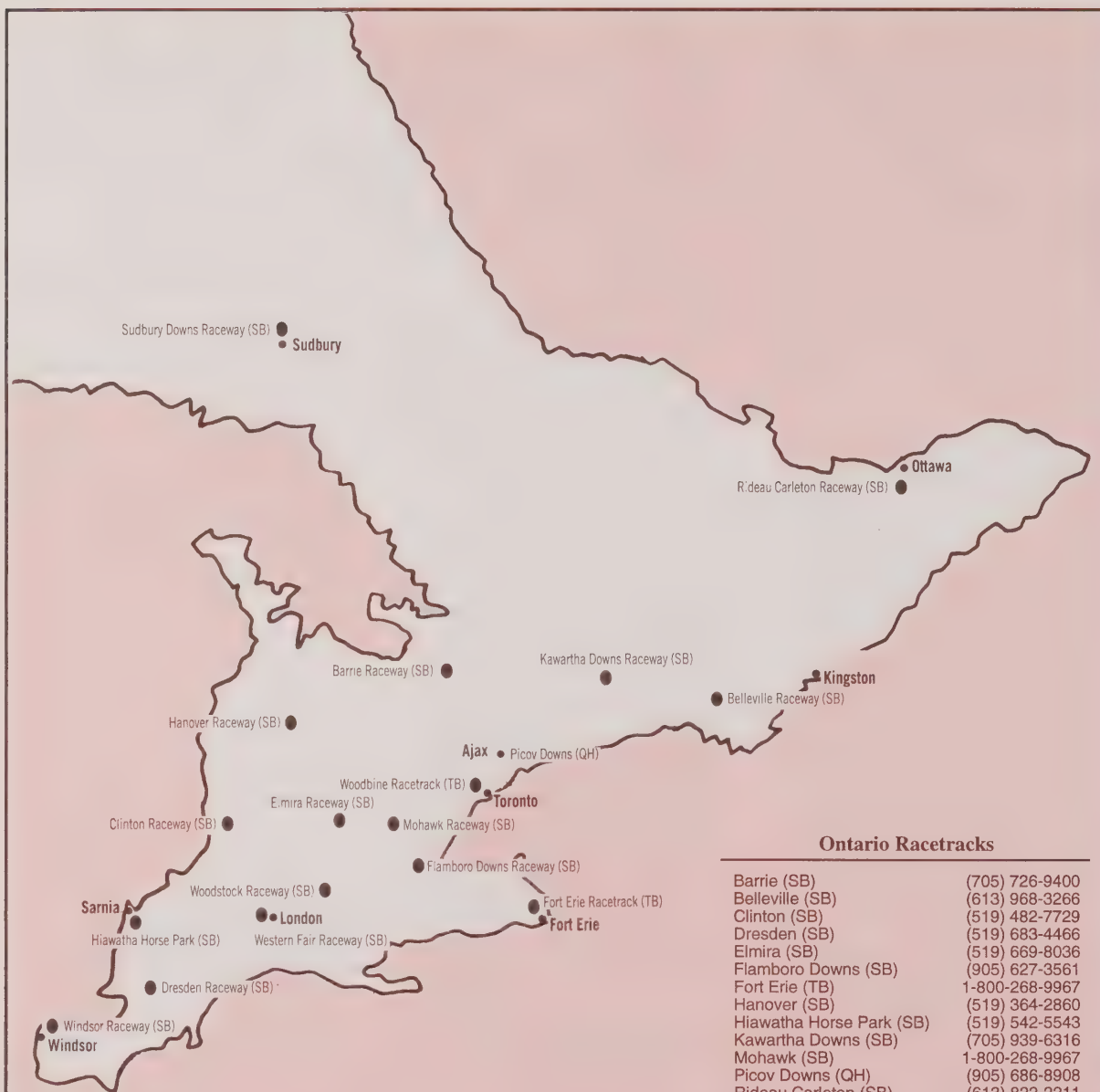
accordance with the rules before applying to the Commission for a hearing under subsection (4).

(7) Any order or rule issued or made by the Commission under this Act shall be deemed to be of an administrative and not of a legislative nature.

(8) One member of the Commission constitutes a quorum for the purposes of a hearing under subsection (4).

(9) The Commission may, on its own motion, review any decision made by a racing association or body pursuant to a power delegated under subsection (2) and may, after affording the parties an opportunity to be heard, confirm the decision reviewed or substitute its own decision in lieu thereof. 1980, c. 429 s. 15.

Ontario Racetracks



Ontario Racetracks

Barrie (SB)	(705) 726-9400
Belleville (SB)	(613) 968-3266
Clinton (SB)	(519) 482-7729
Dresden (SB)	(519) 683-4466
Elmira (SB)	(519) 669-8036
Flamboro Downs (SB)	(905) 627-3561
Fort Erie (TB)	1-800-268-9967
Hanover (SB)	(519) 364-2860
Hiawatha Horse Park (SB)	(519) 542-5543
Kawartha Downs (SB)	(705) 939-6316
Mohawk (SB)	1-800-268-9967
Picov Downs (QH)	(905) 686-8908
Rideau Carleton (SB)	(613) 822-2211
Sudbury Downs (SB)	(705) 522-1430
Western Fair (SB)	(519) 438-7203
Windsor (SB)	(519) 969-8311
Woodbine (SB & TB)	1-800-268-9967
Woodstock (SB)	(519) 537-8212

TB = Thoroughbred
 SB = Standardbred
 QH = Quarter Horse

Ontario Racing Commission



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Personnel of the Commission

As at December 31, 1999, the Commission consisted of:

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Stanley Sadinsky, Q.C.

Vice-Chair

Herbert Bryant

Members

Patricia Bullock

Diane Carlton

Thomas G. Deacon

Bruce Duncan, D.V.M.

Ernest Nock

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Commission Activity

Meetings and Hearings

The seven-member Commission meets on a regular basis to establish policy, to deal with administrative matters and to act as a quasi-judicial tribunal.

Commission Meetings

The Commission held ten formal meetings during 1999 at which regular business was attended to.

Hearings

In addition to formal meetings, the Commission sat for sixty-six days at which licensees appeared for hearings or appeals.

Thoroughbred

The Commission held twenty-five Thoroughbred hearings; 23 were appeals of rulings pertaining to the Rules of Thoroughbred Racing and two were for hearings related to licensing and other issues. Of the appeals, 16 were dismissed, four were allowed and three were allowed in part.

Standardbred

The Commission held thirty-seven Standardbred hearings; 34 were appeals of rulings pertaining to the Rules of Standardbred Racing and three were hearings related to licensing and other issues. Of the appeals, 26 were dismissed, three were allowed, 1 was allowed in part and 4 were sentencing issues.

General

In addition to the above, the Commission sat for fourteen days of public hearings. The Commission heard 13 teletheatre applications, all of which were approved, one racedate related application and 3 other matters.

Memberships

Association of Racing Commissioners, International

The Commission continues to hold active membership in the Association of Racing Commissioners International. This organization is comprised of representatives from all racing commissions throughout North America, Mexico and the Caribbean. The organization acts as a clearing house for changes in racing rules and statistical information. The Chair is a member of the Executive Board. Deputy Director of Racing, Terry Stone, serves on both the Thoroughbred and Standardbred Rules Committee.

Racetracks Security Canada

Acting to facilitate the transfer of information between organizations on security matters and the investigation process, this organization is made up of racetrack security personnel as well as Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency and Commission representatives.

American Association of Equine Practitioners

This association is a professional society of more than 4,500 members from the United States, Canada and over 40 other countries. Since its founding in 1944, one of the primary roles of the AAEP has been to act in an advisory capacity to the racing industry on matters affecting the health of the horse.

Rulings

Thoroughbred

During 1999, the Commission issued 30 Commission Thoroughbred rulings. The Stewards issued 508 rulings for various infractions against licensed personnel including owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders.

Standardbred

During 1999, the Commission issued 331 Commission Standardbred rulings. The Judges issued 1599 rulings for various infractions against licensed personnel including owners, trainers, drivers and grooms.

Racing Industry Appeal Board

Standardbred Division (Standardbred Appeal Board)

This appeal tribunal is appointed by the Ontario Racing Commission upon recommendations from Standardbred Canada and the Ontario Harness Horse Association.

This board hears Standardbred appeals relative to fines of less than \$500.00 and/or suspensions of less than 30 days. The Board sat for nine days at which forty-two licensees appeared to have their appeals dealt with. Ten appeals were allowed, 30 appeals were disallowed and two were disallowed with varied penalty.

Thoroughbred Division (Thoroughbred Appeal Board)

The Thoroughbred Division of the Industry Appeal Board was established in 1999.

This appeal tribunal is appointed by the Ontario Racing Commission upon recommendations from industry associations.

This board hears Thoroughbred appeals relative to fines of less than \$500.00 and/or suspensions of less than 30 days. In 1999, the Board sat for 6 days and heard 30 appeals on a wide range of rule violations. Of those, one is pending, two were dropped, seven appeals were allowed and 20 appeals were denied. Of those that were denied, nine were further appealed to the Ontario Racing Commission.

Summary of Licences Issued

The Ontario Racing Commission licenses any person practicing a profession, trade or occupation or at any licensed Ontario racetrack.

Thoroughbred

Total number of licences issued includes reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licences	No. of Licences
	1999	1998
Owner, New Owner and Owner Renewal	1,922	1,908
Trainer and Trainer Assistant	325	331
Owner/Trainer, New and Renewals	292	296
Jockey	106	113
Jockey Apprentice, Valets, and Jockey Agent	57	60
Tradesmen	180	171
Veterinarian	39	43
Occupational (Other)	2,051	1,672
Total Licences Issued	4,972	4,594

Standardbred

Total number of licences issued includes reciprocal licences issued to non-Ontario residents

	No. of Licences	No. of Licences
	1999	1998
Owner, New and Renewal	7,797	7,341
Stable/Multiple Ownership	719	658
Trainer	3,258	3,068
Driver	1,608	1,497
Groom	3,411	3,332
Tradesmen	87	61
Veterinarian	59	56
Occupational	194	141
Association	286	218
Commission Officials	71	70
Pari-Mutuel	858	512
Total Licences Issued	18,348	16,954

Wagering Statistics



Dave Landry Photo

Recap of Horse Racing in Ontario and Canada in 1999

Including revenue to the Provincial and Federal Government

	No. of Days	Wagering	Provincial Tax	Federal Tax	%
Ontario					
Totals based on breed of race					
Standardbred*	1,256	507,347,242	2,536,736	4,054,165	44.35%
Thoroughbred	272	636,422,948	3,182,114	5,085,597	55.64%
Quarter Horse	19	100,061	500	800	0.01%
Total Ontario	1,547	1,143,870,251	5,719,350	9,150,962	100.00%

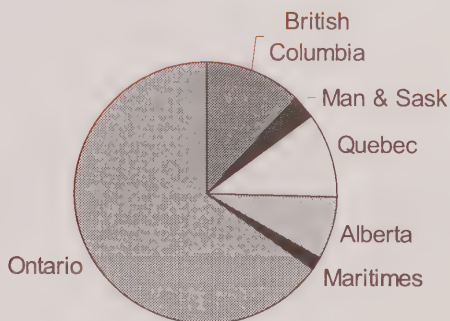
* includes 19 days of Unsupervised Racing

Provincial Detail

Statistics provided by Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency

Ontario	1,547	1,143,524,198	9,140,562	65.36%
British Columbia	240	210,787,865	1,685,121	12.05%
Quebec	430	181,575,962	1,447,110	10.38%
Alberta	326	135,104,031	1,080,044	7.72%
Manitoba	106	34,350,905	274,148	1.96%
Saskatchewan	97	15,514,482	123,636	0.89%
Nova Scotia	123	12,531,003	100,008	0.72%
New Brunswick	78	7,501,617	59,853	0.43%
Prince Edward Island	93	7,836,314	62,495	0.45%
Newfoundland	10	740,581	5,915	0.04%
Total	3,050	1,749,466,938	13,978,892	100.00%

Ontario's Share of the Canadian Wagering Dollar



Revenue Produced: Purses and Tax Dollars

Year	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Gross Prov Tax	Net Prov Tax*	Fed Tax	Tax Dollars Produced		Purse Distribution
						Provincial	Federal	
Progress in Thoroughbred Racing								
1987	278	413,565,078	†7	5	0.8	30,347,090	3,308,521	35,287,923
1988	287	452,114,414	†7	5	0.8	33,155,471	3,616,915	43,613,731
1989	288	495,407,190	†7	5	0.8	36,239,126	3,963,258	45,393,965
1990	292	535,324,696	†7	5	0.8	39,161,047	4,282,598	45,267,891
1991	293	523,630,971	†7	5	0.8	38,291,814	4,189,047	47,905,579
1992	293	521,513,857	†7	5	0.8	38,177,239	4,172,111	51,692,667
1993	294	567,019,864	†7	5	0.8	42,216,151	4,536,159	47,176,882
1994	279	578,367,530	†7	5	0.8	43,488,071	4,671,571	39,484,249
1995	291	638,490,418	†7	5	0.8	47,421,004	5,077,793	47,848,765
1996	295	569,659,968	†7 to 0.5	5 to 0.5	0.8	44,831,638	5,282,436	47,496,127
1997	278	553,407,902	0.5	0.5	0.8	2,767,039	4,424,817	42,325,856
1998	246	564,056,502	0.5	0.5	0.8	2,820,282	4,510,285	44,914,580
1999	272	636,422,948	0.5	0.5	0.8	3,182,114	4,839,449	58,531,153
Progress in Quarter Horse Racing								
1987	13	118,110	†7	5	0.8	8,268	945	143,933
1988	16	141,124	†7	5	0.8	9,879	1,129	149,548
1989	20	244,565	†7	5	0.8	17,119	1,957	184,220
1990	21	334,927	†7	5	0.8	23,445	2,679	247,264
1991	21	258,061	†7	5	0.8	18,064	2,064	228,182
1992	18	186,106	†7	5	0.8	13,027	1,488	126,997
1993	17	139,387	†7	5	0.8	9,757	1,115	97,775
1994	19	151,149	†7	5	0.8	10,652	1,209	73,734
1995	20	128,836	†7	5	0.8	9,113	1,030	204,895
1996	21	110,278	†7	5	0.8	7,352	882	209,072
1997	20	98,321	†7	5	0.8	491	786	164,832
1998	19	97,132	0.5	0.5	0.8	485	776	161,818
1999	19	100,061	0.5	0.5	0.8	500	760	169,188
Progress in Standardbred Racing								
1987	1551	560,118,892	†7	5	0.8	42,070,986	4,480,951	58,234,266
1988	1643	607,601,166	†7	5	0.8	45,475,891	4,860,809	65,135,136
1989	1628	627,249,647	†7	5	0.8	46,854,374	5,010,190	68,430,917
1990	1585	616,089,970	†7	5	0.8	46,101,128	4,928,719	68,804,411
1991	1498	560,950,032	†7	5	0.8	42,076,205	4,487,600	60,714,864
1992	1486	548,569,954	†7	5	0.8	41,403,406	4,388,559	65,425,855
1993	1333	463,929,955	†7	5	0.8	34,541,451	3,711,440	61,693,065
1994	1298	488,252,954	†7	5	0.8	36,922,508	3,963,716	63,951,896
1995	1,208	540,542,758	†7	5	0.8	45,220,663	4,698,798	78,325,497
1996	1,215	501,662,083	†7 to .5	5 to 0.5	0.8	41,910,793	5,343,692	78,676,848
1997	1,134	489,346,651	0.5	0.5	0.8	2,446,733	3,912,610	77,707,000
1998	1,216	523,637,389	0.5	0.5	0.8	2,618,186	4,187,087	81,193,564
1999	1,256	507,347,242	0.5	0.5	0.8	2,536,736	3,857,939	103,115,151

† 9% tax on tractor wagering

*Not including Improvement Program funding

1996: The Race Tracks Tax was reduced from 7% (9% on tractors) to 0.5% effective September 30, 1996.

Note: Wagering statistics only include betting transactions in the Province of Ontario.

Betting transactions made in other jurisdictions on Ontario product are not included in these figures.

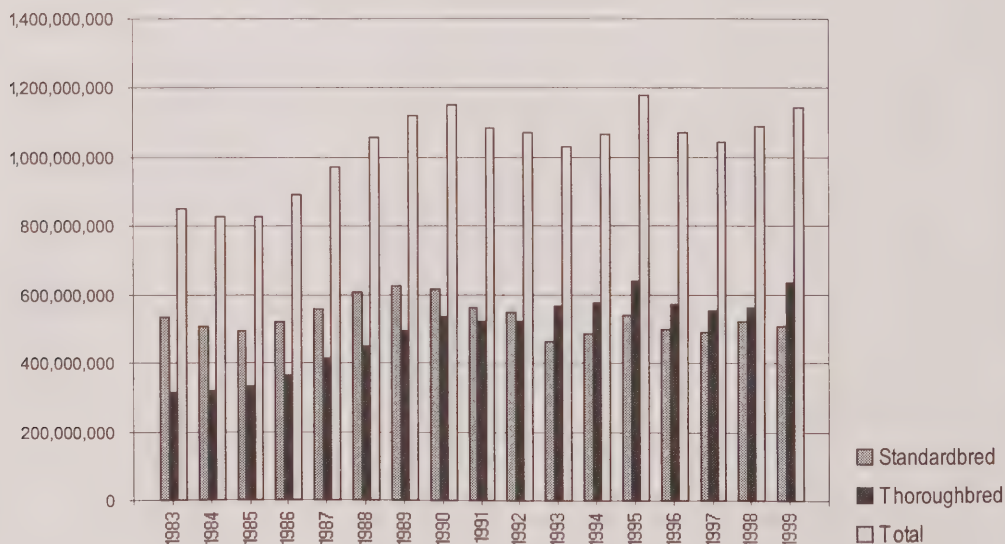
Wagering Trends in Ontario

Based on wagering conducted within the province and by breed

Year	Standardbred Statistics		Thoroughbred Statistics		Quarter Horse Statistics		Combined Totals	
	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered	Days Raced	Amount Wagered
1983	1,672	517,786,938	241	304,864,472	7	103,196	1,920	822,754,606
1984	1,633	507,096,175	245	319,343,712	7	82,426	1,885	826,522,313
1985	1,549	494,314,388	264	333,683,591	7	84,692	1,820	828,082,671
1986	1,625	524,243,023	282	365,528,513	12	139,651	1,919	889,911,187
1987	1,551	560,118,892	278	413,565,078	13	118,110	1,842	973,802,080
1988	1,643	607,601,166	287	452,114,414	16	141,124	1,946	1,059,856,704
1989	1,628	627,249,647	288	495,407,190	20	244,565	1,936	1,122,901,402
1990	1,585	616,089,970	292	535,324,696	21	334,927	1,898	1,151,749,593
1991	1,498	560,950,032	293	523,630,971	21	258,061	1,812	1,084,839,064
1992	1,486	548,569,954	293	521,513,857	18	186,106	1,797	1,070,269,917
1993	1,333	463,929,955	294	567,019,864	17	139,387	1,644	1,031,089,206
1994	1,298	488,252,954	279	578,367,530	19	151,149	1,596	1,066,771,633
1995	1,208	540,542,758	291	638,490,418	20	128,836	1,519	1,179,162,012
1996	1,215	501,662,083	295	569,659,968	21	110,278	1,531	1,071,432,329
1997	1,134	489,346,651	278	553,407,902	20	98,321	1,432	1,042,852,875
1998	1,216	523,637,389	246	564,056,502	19	97,132	1,481	1,087,791,024
1999	1,256	507,347,242	272	636,422,948	19	100,061	1,547	1,143,870,251

Note:

These figures include all wagering conducted in Ontario on both local and foreign product. These numbers do not include any amounts for wagers placed on Ontario product in other jurisdictions (ie. New Jersey wagering on Woodbine Thoroughbred).



Wagering Statistics

Comparison of 1998 and 1999

	No. of Days			Actual on Site (bet at Ontario tracks)		
Tracks	1999	1998	%±	1999	1998	%±
Thoroughbred						
Woodbine	165	171	-3.5%	471,670,408.79	403,665,804.17	16.8%
Fort Erie	107	75	42.7%	38,290,740.53	30,343,481.24	26.2%
Total Thoroughbred	272	246	10.6%	509,961,149.32	434,009,285.41	17.5%
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)						
Total Quarter Horse	19	19	0.0%	300,281.00	301,592.00	-0.4%
Standardbred						
Woodbine	133	159	-16.4%	212,892,282.10	259,230,147.87	-17.9%
Mohawk	123	100	23.0%	107,863,2370.57	84,057,177.00	28.3%
OJC	256	259	-1.2%	320,755,519.67	343,287,327.84	-6.6%
Windsor	193	166	16.3%	63,001,560.92	57,079,668.64	10.4%
Flamboro Downs	255	255	0.0%	65,400,578.00	71,171,953.00	-8.1%
Rideau Carleton	95	74	28.4%	32,701,192.32	33,393,136.00	-2.1%
Western Fair	87	92	-5.4%	29,020,250.91	29,756,198.64	-2.5%
Hiawatha	57	50	14.0%	12,484,124.05	10,738,312.26	16.3%
Barrie	50	52	-3.8%	19,204,644.70	18,180,787.70	5.6%
Kawartha Downs	50	50	0.0%	14,410,830.40	14,174,555.40	1.7%
Elmira	51	51	0.0%	33,808,233.09	32,366,273.43	4.5%
Sudbury Downs	53	55	-3.6%	18,452,212.00	19,258,987.00	-4.2%
Dresden	16	15	6.7%	6,585,442.00	5,731,989.92	14.9%
Woodstock	16	15	6.7%	5,757,001.00	5,220,692.15	10.3%
Belleville	25	25	0.0%	3,829,573.00	2,902,429.00	31.9%
Hanover	21	21	0.0%	5,012,206.41	4,948,050.07	1.3%
Clinton	12	12	0.0%	3,185,449.18	2,269,789.24	40.3%
Total Supervised	1,237	1,192	3.8%	633,608,820.65	650,480,147.29	-2.6%
Unsupervised	19	24	-20.8%	209,352.00	281,231.00	-25.6%
Total Standardbred	1,256	1,216	3.3%	633,818,172.65	650,761,378.29	-2.6%
Grand Total	1,547	1,481	4.5%	1,144,079,602.97	1,085,072,255.70	5.4%

Notes

All numbers are based on wagering data provided to Standardbred Canada by the Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency

Definition: Actual On-Site

1. Money bet by an Ontario bettor at an Ontario track or outlet.
2. Dollars bet at a site are attributed to that racetrack regardless of breed.

1998

During its first year of operation under new ownership, Fort Erie Racetrack ran a shorter racing season.

The Ontario Jockey Club shifted 10 race dates from Mohawk to Woodbine.

Windsor Raceway expanded its summer racing schedule from a one day a week to a two days a week.

1999

Slot operations opened at Hiawatha (May), Mohawk (August), Fort Erie (August), Western Fair (September), Kawartha Downs (November) and Sudbury (November).

The OJC was granted race date cancellations in December for both its Thoroughbred and Standardbred meets at Woodbine Racetrack in December to accommodate construction of their slot operation and renovation of the grandstand. The Standardbred Meet was moved to Mohawk for the remainder of the year.

Attendance

Most Ontario racetracks are no longer charging admission and are no longer tracking attendance on a consistent basis. As a result this data is no longer available.

Analysis of 1999 Wagering Statistics

Breakdown of wagering by source of bet and by breed

Tracks	Live	% of total	Simulcasting on track	% of total	Off Track	% of total	Tele. Acc. Betting	% of total	Total Wagering	Thoroughbred	Standardbred
Thoroughbred											
Woodbine	78,472,634.22	16.6%	103,164,179.77	21.9%	275,772,372.80	58.5%	14,261,222.00	3.0%	471,670,408.79	471,670,408.79	
Fort Erie	16,801,523.41	43.9%	21,489,217.12	56.1%		0.0%			38,290,740.53	34,097,009.57	4,193,730.94
Total TB	95,274,157.63	18.7%	124,653,396.89	24.4%	275,772,372.80	54.1%	14,261,222.00	2.8%	509,961,149.32	505,767,418.38	4,193,730.94
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)											
Total QH	100,061.00	33.3%	200,220.00	66.7%					300,281.00	300,281.00	
Standardbred											
Woodbine	33,151,030.00	15.7%	69,782,480.50	32.8%	99,185,898.60	46.6%	10,412,873.00	4.9%	212,892,282.10	19,076,287.50	193,815,994.60
Mohawk	16,791,037.57	15.6%	12,382,146.00	11.5%	78,690,054.00	73.0%			107,863,237.57	4,539,728.00	103,323,509.57
OJC	50,302,067.57	15.7%	82,164,626.50	25.6%	177,875,952.60	55.5%	10,412,873.00	3.2%	320,755,519.67	23,616,015.50	297,139,504.17
Windsor	27,530,961.76	43.7%	33,908,901.16	53.8%	1,561,698.00	2.5%			63,001,560.92	17,571,869.31	45,429,691.61
Flamboro Downs	8,930,339.00	13.7%	7,764,120.00	11.9%	48,706,119.00	74.5%			65,400,578.00	23,058,244.00	42,342,334.00
Rideau Carleton	2,618,904.00	8.0%	10,235,639.32	31.3%	19,846,652.00	60.7%			32,701,195.32	10,763,118.00	21,938,077.32
Western Fair	4,168,160.00	14.4%	24,667,371.00	85.0%	184,719.91	0.6%			29,020,250.91	8,890,659.08	20,129,591.83
Hiawatha	3,553,305.54	28.5%	8,808,676.60	70.6%	122,141.91	1.0%			12,484,124.05	3,099,677.38	9,384,446.67
Barrie	2,393,911.00	12.5%	9,100,571.00	47.4%	7,710,162.70	40.1%			19,204,644.70	7,721,139.10	11,483,505.60
Kawartha Downs	1,501,513.00	10.4%	895,299.00	6.2%	12,014,018.40	83.4%			14,410,830.40	4,952,300.60	9,458,529.80
Elmira	1,608,511.00	4.8%	7,583,832.00	22.4%	24,615,890.09	72.8%			33,808,233.09	14,267,380.95	19,540,852.14
Sudbury Downs	331,926.00	1.8%	181,706.00	1.0%	17,938,580.00	97.2%			18,452,212.00	11,760,782.00	6,691,430.00
Dresden	975,570.00	14.8%	2,204,946.00	33.5%	3,404,926.00	51.7%			6,585,442.00	944,458.00	5,640,984.00
Woodstock	449,692.00	7.8%	181,380.00	3.2%	5,125,929.00	89.0%			5,757,001.00	1,007,141.00	4,749,860.00
Belleville	397,692.00	10.4%	3,431,881.00	89.6%					3,829,573.00	1,270,375.00	2,559,198.00
Hanover	640,460.00	12.8%	243,308.00	4.9%	4,128,438.41	82.4%			5,012,206.41	1,164,204.55	3,848,001.86
Clinton	408,972.00	12.8%	68,177.00	2.1%	2,708,300.18	85.0%			3,185,449.18	367,944.84	2,817,504.34
Total Supervised	105,811,984.87	16.7%	191,440,434.58	30.2%	325,943,528.20	51.4%	10,412,873.00	1.6%	633,608,820.65	130,455,309.31	503,153,511.34
Unsupervised	209,352.00								209,352.00		209,352.00
Total SB	106,021,336.87	16.7%	191,440,434.58	30.2%	325,943,528.20	51.4%	10,412,873.00	1.6%	633,818,172.65	130,455,309.31	503,362,863.34
Grand Total	201,395,555.50	17.6%	316,294,051.47	27.6%	601,715,901.00	52.6%	24,674,095.00	2.2%	1,144,079,602.97	636,523,008.69	507,556,594.28

Breakdown of wagering by Ontario product and Foreign product

Ontario						Foreign					
Thoroughbred	% of TB total	Standardbred	% of SB total	Total Ontario	% of total	Thoroughbred	% of TB total	Standardbred	% of SB total	Total Foreign	% of TB total
161,505,018.62	34.2%			161,505,018.62	34.2%	310,165,390.17	65.8%			310,165,390.17	65.8%
23,055,764.14	67.6%	3,071,975.55	73.3%	26,127,739.69	68.2%	11,041,245.45	32.4%	1,121,755.39	26.7%	12,163,000.84	31.8%
184,560,782.76	36.5%	3,071,975.55	73.3%	187,632,758.31	36.8%	321,206,635.62	63.5%	1,121,755.39	16.2%	322,3328,391.01	63.2%
300,281.00	100.0%			300,281.00	100.0%						
		135,676,292.00	70.0%	135,676,292.00	63.7%	19,076,287.50	100.0%	58,139,702.60	30.0%	77,215,990.10	36.3%
1,420,344.00	31.3%	81,243,410.57	78.6%	82,663,754.57	75.6%	3,119,384.00	68.7%	22,080,099.00	21.4%	25,199,483.00	23.4%
1,420,344.00	6.0%	216,919,702.57	73.0%	218,340,046.57	68.1%	22,195,671.50	94.0%	80,219,801.60	27.0%	102,415,473.10	31.9%
3,109,068.17	17.7%	38,654,055.53	85.1%	41,763,123.70	66.3%	14,462,801.14	79.0%	6,775,636.08	14.9%	21,238,437.22	33.7%
10,709,495.00	46.4%	33,502,483.00	79.1%	44,211,978.00	67.6%	12,348,749.00	42.4%	8,839,851.00	20.9%	21,188,600.00	32.4%
2,642,233.00	24.5%	15,173,273.00	69.2%	17,815,506.00	54.5%	8,120,885.00	69.1%	6,764,804.32	30.8%	14,885,689.32	45.5%
1,777,281.08	20.0%	16,512,633.53	82.0%	18,289,914.61	63.0%	7,113,378.00	77.3%	3,616,958.30	18.0%	10,730,336.30	37.0%
791,873.08	25.5%	8,042,121.84	85.7%	8,833,994.92	70.8%	2,307,804.30	70.5%	1,342,324.83	14.3%	3,650,129.13	29.2%
2,961,792.60	38.4%	9,468,446.40	82.5%	12,430,239.00	64.7%	4,759,346.50	56.8%	2,015,059.20	17.5%	6,774,405.70	35.3%
1,538,005.00	31.1%	7,638,551.60	80.8%	9,176,556.60	63.7%	3,414,295.60	66.3%	1,819,978.20	19.2%	5,234,273.80	36.3%
3,668,934.44	25.7%	14,830,807.72	75.9%	18,499,742.16	54.7%	10,598,446.51	74.3%	4,710,044.42	24.1%	15,308,490.93	45.3%
3,187,509.00	27.1%	331,926.00	5.0%	3,519,435.00	19.1%	8,573,273.00	65.5%	6,359,504.00	95.0%	14,932,777.00	80.9%
558,089.00	59.1%	4,738,606.00	84.0%	5,296,695.00	80.4%	386,369.00	51.9%	902,378.00	16.0%	1,288,747.00	19.6%
362,390.00	36.0%	3,785,213.00	79.7%	4,147,603.00	72.0%	644,751.00	50.9%	964,647.00	20.3%	1,609,398.00	28.0%
681,663.00	53.7%	2,033,072.00	79.4%	2,714,735.00	70.9%	588,712.00	37.9%	526,126.00	20.6%	1,114,838.00	29.1%
491,334.56	42.2%	3,125,055.28	81.2%	3,616,389.84	72.2%	672,869.99	42.5%	722,946.58	18.8%	1,395,816.57	27.8%
240,069.84	65.2%	2,178,201.94	77.3%	2,418,271.78	75.9%	127,875.00	37.2%	639,302.40	22.7%	767,177.40	24.1%
34,140,081.77	26.2%	376,934,149.41	74.9%	411,074,231.18	64.9%	96,315,227.54	74.2%	126,219,361.93	25.1%	222,534,589.47	35.1%
		209,352.00	100.0%	209,352.00	100.0%						
34,140,081.77	26.2%	377,143,501.41	74.9%	411,283,583.18	64.9%	96,315,227.54	74.2%	126,219,361.93	25.1%	222,534,589.47	35.1%
219,001,145.53	34.4%	380,215,476.96	74.9%	599,007,270.49	52.4%	417,521,863.16	58.3%	127,341,117.32	25.1%	544,862,980.48	47.6%

Intertrack Wagering

Track	Thoroughbred Product			Standardbred Product			Total		
	1998	1997	% +/-	1999	1998	% +/-	1999	1998	% +/-
Thoroughbred									
Woodbine	103,164,179.77	66,410,274.85	55.3%				103,164,179.77	66,410,274.85	55.3%
Fort Erie	17,295,486.18	14,612,443.05	18.4%	4,193,730.94	2,441,700.40	71.8%	21,489,217.12	17,054,143.45	26.0%
Total TB	120,459,486.18	81,022,717.90	48.7%	4,193,730.94	2,441,700.40	71.8%	83,464,418.30	57,456,666.65	49.3%
Quarter Horse (Picov Downs)									
Total QH	200,220.00	204,460.00	-2.1%				200,220.00	204,460.00	-2.1%
Standardbred									
Woodbine	19,076,287.50	38,488,002.50	-50.4%	50,706,193.00	50,606,459.28	0.2%	69,782,480.50	89,094,461.78	-21.7%
Mohawk	4,539,728.00			7,842,418.00	3,171,664.00	147.3%	12,382,146.00	3,171,664.00	290.4%
Windsor	17,518,188.31	15,100,171.27	16.0%	16,390,712.85	16,321,876.55	0.4%	33,908,901.16	31,422,047.82	7.9%
Flamboro	3,596,025.00	3,464,147.00	3.8%	4,168,095.00	5,085,035.00	-18.0%	7,764,120.00	8,549,182.00	-9.2%
Rideau Carleton	4,232,219.00	4,396,513.00	-3.7%	6,003,420.32	7,567,485.00	-20.7%	10,235,639.32	11,963,998.00	-14.4%
Western Fair	8,890,630.00	8,338,853.00	6.6%	15,776,741.00	15,906,017.00	-0.8%	24,667,371.00	24,244,870.00	1.7%
Hiawatha	3,099,652.30	2,757,875.94	12.4%	5,709,024.30	5,312,828.29	7.5%	8,808,676.60	8,070,704.23	9.1%
Barrie	4,097,550.00	3,358,926.00	22.0%	5,003,021.00	4,458,906.00	12.2%	9,100,571.00	7,817,832.00	16.4%
Kawartha	53,714.00	14,953.00	259.2%	841,585.00	740,423.00	13.7%	895,299.00	755,376.00	18.5%
Elmira	3,155,695.00	3,126,221.00	0.9%	4,428,137.00	5,120,178.00	-13.5%	7,583,832.00	8,246,399.00	-8.0%
Sudbury	59,676.00	41,394.00	44.2%	122,030.00	108,382.00	12.6%	181,706.00	149,776.00	21.3%
Dresden	285,445.00	213,828.04	33.5%	1,919,501.00	1,458,571.34	31.6%	2,204,946.00	1,672,399.38	31.8%
Woodstock				181,380.00	185,384.00	-2.2%	181,380.00	185,384.00	-2.2%
Belleville	1,270,375.00	654,006.00	94.2%	2,161,506.00	1,291,111.00	67.4%	3,431,881.00	1,945,117.00	76.4%
Hanover	17,868.00	20,563.00	-13.1%	225,440.00	247,551.00	-8.9%	243,308.00	268,114.00	-9.3%
Clinton	68,177.00	65,192.00	4.6%				68,177.00	65,192.00	-4.6%
Total	69,961,230.11	80,040,645.75	-12.6%	121,479,204.47	117,581,871.46	3.3%	191,440,434.58	197,622,517.21	-3.1%
Grand Total	190,621,116.06	161,267,823.65	18.2%	125,672,935.41	120,023,571.86	4.7%	316,294,051.47	281,291,395.51	12.4%

Teletheatres

Racetrack	Thoroughbred			Standardbred			Total		
	1999	1998	% +/-	1999	1998	% +/-	1999	1998	% +/-
Barrie	1,132,122	891,057	27.1%	2,081,234	1,888,986	10.2%	3,213,356	2,780,043	15.6%
Belleville		177,644			389,717			567,361	
Flamboro Downs	19,462,219	17,943,565	8.5%	29,243,900	33,624,811	-13.0%	48,706,119	51,568,376	-5.6%
Kawartha Downs	4,044,110	3,612,549	11.9%	6,294,157	6,616,041	-4.9%	10,338,267	10,228,590	1.1%
The Ontario Jockey Club	262,264,625	222,322,247	18.0%	167,458,992	177,061,067	-5.4%	429,723,617	399,383,314	7.6%
OJC/Picov Hub	15,702,084	13,866,704	13.2%	12,032,696	13,783,579	-12.7%	27,734,780	27,650,283	0.3%
Ontario Teletheatre Network	14,716,589	12,313,271	19.5%	24,436,135	23,671,922	3.2%	39,152,724	35,985,193	8.8%
Western Fair	4	2,555	-99.8%	78,876	1,010,354	-92.2%	78,880	1,012,909	-92.2%
Hiawatha				16,302	167,678.94	-90.3%	16,302	167,678.94	-90.3%
Windsor	712,694	627,094	13.6%	4,253,930	5,247,534	-18.9%	4,966,624	5,874,628	-15.5%
Rideau Carleton	6,530,899	5,087,253	28.4%	13,315,753	13,135,868	1.4%	19,846,652	18,223,121	8.9%
Sudbury	11,701,106	9,525,638	22.8%	6,237,474	9,218,304	-32.3%	17,938,580	18,743,942	-4.3%
Total	336,266,452	286,369,577	17.4%	265,449,449	285,815,862	-7.1%	601,715,901	572,185,439	5.2%

** Adjustments for shared markets not included in these figures

Racing Statistics



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Commission Activity – Thoroughbred

The Stewards issued 508 rulings against licensed personnel for various infractions involving owners, trainers, jockeys, grooms, hot walkers and exercise riders in 1999.

Inquiries by the Stewards

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1975	41	15	26
1976	45	18	27
1977	26	5	21
1978	28	14	14
1979	59	29	30
1980	65	26	39
1981	92	48	44
1982	81	49	32
1983	109	67	42
1984	76	54	22
1985	63	51	12
1986	70	43	27
1987	62	42	20
1988	68	57	11
1989	79	64	15
1990	66	53	13
1991	78	66	12
1992	84	69	15
1993	71	52	19
1994	67	58	9
1995	49	31	18
1996	56	47	9
1997	55	43	12
1998	48	36	12
1999	48	42	6

Claims of Foul

	No.	Allowed	Disallowed
1975	86	29	57
1976	61	21	40
1977	93	24	69
1978	91	37	54
1979	97	32	65
1980	111	40	71
1981	131	40	91
1982	87	30	57
1983	93	27	66
1984	90	27	63
1985	90	32	58
1986	92	28	64
1987	89	27	62
1988	118	29	89
1989	117	18	99
1990	140	34	106
1991	131	42	89
1992	133	42	91
1993	144	40	104
1994	116	33	83
1995	103	23	80
1996	79	21	58
1997	76	15	61
1998	65	18	47
1999	67	28	39

Scratches

	1997	1998	1999
By Commission			
Veterinarians	428	342	483
By Stewards	354	294	450
As part of entries	64	94	129
Out of stakes	35	43	37
Total	888	773	1,099

Trainers' Examinations

	1997	1998	1999
Number of examinations written	47	68	54
Number of examinations passed	24	40	32
Number of examinations failed	23	28	22

Urine and Blood Tests

	1996	1997	1998	1999
Number ordered by the stewards (inc. extras)	7,138	6,682	5,046	4,942
Number taken	7,110	6,669	5,035	4,935
Number abandoned	28	13	11	17

Claims – Standardbred

						\$Value	Average \$ Value
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	1999	1999
Barrie	64	35	55	106	68	322,250	4,738
Clinton	11	16	4	8	9	28,400	3,155
Dresden	24	12	5	26	49	176,000	3,591
Elmira	32	46	69	87	139	693,000	4,985
Flamboro Downs	131	276	312	446	450	2,713,050	6,029
Hanover	14	14	9	22	13	48,875	3,759
Hiawatha	47	23	33	58	106	510,875	4,819
Kawartha Downs	25	9	5	22	31	135,750	4,379
Mohawk	274	338	268	305	418	10,031,000	24,236
Quinte	14	14	5	10	11	36,000	3,272
Rideau Carleton	88	130	101	124	110	525,000	4,772
Sudbury	17	36	49	53	35	160,175	4,576
Western Fair	55	94	69	137	122	525,000	4,303
Windsor	363	359	235	311	573	4,505,665	7,863
Woodbine	409	488	478	586	542	13,717,000	25,308
Woodstock	20	18	17	27	10	40,500	4,050
Total	1,588	1,908	1,714	2,328	2,686	34,168,540	12,720

Claims and Tattooing – Thoroughbred

Tattooing

Year	Number of Horses Tattooed
1985	1,090
1986	1,310
1987	1,300
1988	1,419
1989	1,461
1990	1,327
1991	1,349
1992	1,292
1993	1,162
1994	988
1995	1,013
1996	1,034
1997	1,011
1998	817
1999	984

Claims

Year	No.	Average Value
1985	696	\$10,379
1986	861	\$9,918
1987	913	\$11,234
1988	815	\$12,811
1989	1,050	\$9,878
1990	639	\$12,992
1991	544	\$13,320
1992	863	\$12,926
1993	821	\$12,554
1994	813	\$12,271
1995	932	\$12,438
1996	934	\$11,691
1997	823	\$11,925
1998	749	\$12,334
1999	858	\$15,145

Positive Tests

	Standardbred					Thoroughbred				
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Number of Positive Tests	59	51	32	53	41	7	7	8	1	3
Ambroxol			1		3					
Atropine			1		1					
Bumetanide	1									
Butorphanol					1					
Caffeine	1	3	7							
Cathinone	2									
Clenbuterol					1					
Clidinium		1			1					
Cocaine	3									
Codeine				1						
Cotinine	1									
Cromoglycate	5	1	2	2						
Cyproheptadine		1								
Diclofenac	1		1	1	1					
Dimethylsulfoxide		2	1	3	1					
Dipyrone					1					
Ephedrine		3	2	5	4			2		
Ethacrynic Acid			4		1					
Fenoterol					1					
Flunixin	1				1					
Furosemide	8	12	2	2	2	1				
Glycopyrrolate			1	3	2			1		
Guaifenesin			1	3		1		1		
Hydrochlorothiazide					1					
Indomethacin	1									
Isoflupredone					1					
Isoxsuprine				1						
Isoproterenol				2						
Ketoprofen	1									
Ketorolac		1								
Lidocaine					1					1
Meclofenamic Acid	1									
Mefenamic Acid					4					
Metaproterenol					1					
Methocarbamol	1	1	2	4	1	2		2		1
Methylphenidate						1				
Methylaminoantipyrine					1					
Naproxen										1
Nimesulide		5	3							
Pentoxifylline		1								
Phenylbutazone	5	5	2	7	5		3			
Phenylpropanolamine		1	2	1	4				1	
Prednisone	1	1		6	4					
Procaine	1	6	2	6	2		3	2		
Promazine				2	1					
Propantheline	22			1						
Pyrilamine		1								
Salicylic Acid	2	3	1				1			
Salbutamol				3	1					
Terbutaline					1					
Theobromine	1	1								
Theophylline		1	1			2				
Tranexamic Acid		1								

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